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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Next Test

THE TUC conference produced less verbal fireworks than expected, and it was the voice of the moderates which finally prevailed. Both sides, in fact, went out of their way to avoid acrimonious discussion on matters directly associated with the Labour Party, and once the majority of delegates had, in the early stages of the conference, decisively indicated their approval of the main policy recommendations of the General Council, the opposition faded into insignificance. That the moderates also wound up holding the principal executive offices was the final sign of the defeat of the extremists. The Labour Party leaders, parliamentary as well as those on the National Executive, can derive satisfaction from the outcome of the TUC conference: on the other hand they can expect much more vociferous opposition and criticism when the Party's annual conference is held next month. It is then that the official policy statement which has already been produced in pamphlet form entitled "Challenge to Britain," will come under fire from the dissident elements, including the Bevanite group. Several amendments have already been put forward by local party groups, and the Socialist leaders, one suspects, are surveying them with gloom. Many of them are quite remote from the spirit of the document itself, and if approved at the annual conference would represent a vote of complete non-confidence in its authors—the National Executive. The "Challenge to Britain" is challenged openly and strongly on its caution about further nationalisation, on its caution about higher social insurance benefits, and on its foreign policy, which is also that of the late Labour Government and the party in Parliament.

THE nationalisation controversy will be, from the point of view of the Party, the most serious. The National Executive has avoided any new absolute commitments, although it has left a number of doors open for mild State intervention, and for further inquiry. And while the TUC last week gave a lead against further nationalisation, this is not likely to shake the local parties to whom nationalisation for its own sake is an article of faith. Their preference is for the nationalisation of aircraft, the whole of engineering, shipbuilding and chemical; a tough programme from which the National Executive recoils in horror. The impression left by the various amendments to the advocated policy programme is that the Labour movement at the moment is confused about the true principles of public ownership. And it seems highly doubtful whether the October conference will bring the party much nearer a clear definition. If the large number of amendments on workers' participation in industry could be taken as a genuine indication of a feeling it might be important. But there is a suspicion of guided inspiration about this as well as on the subject of land nationalisation. It must not be forgotten that pit committees were dropped because the miners did not want them, and, whatever the theorists may say, it has yet to be proved that many other unions want to assume responsibilities of management. All these rather confused discussions are hardly those of a winning party, and the indications are that Labour's "rethinking" will continue to be a slow process.

U.S. REJECTS PEKING'S KOREA TALKS PROPOSAL

20 Russians Killed In Explosion

Berlin, Sept. 13. Twenty Russian soldiers were killed and more than 100 injured in an explosion in a Russian ammunition dump at Wuerndorf, near Berlin, according to reports by the anti-Communist "Information Bureau West".

The report said most of the injuries were caused by masonry hurled into the air by the force of the explosion.

The report could not be confirmed from other sources.—United Press.

Canal Zone Agreement May Soon Be Reached

London, Sept. 14. General Sir Brian Robertson, chief British negotiator in the Anglo-Egyptian talks, flies back to the Cairo meeting this week armed with the latest brief from Sir Winston Churchill aimed at paving the way to an agreement on Britain's withdrawal from the Suez Canal Zone base.

After weeks of secret, informal talks in Cairo, one stumbling block is believed to remain before Britain finally says "Yes" to pulling out her 80,000-strong force alongside the international waterway.

This is under what terms will Western troops be able to move back into the vital base in case of war or a war threat?

Britain holds that the base is vital to Allied strategy and the circumstances under which it can be "reactivated" in an emergency must be defined.

Diplomatic quarters believe that if this question plus the tricky definition of what constitutes a threat or emergency, can be answered in the coming days, then, barring last-minute issues, an agreement to the year-old dispute should be close at hand.

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Nyasaland Rioting: Police Reinforcements On Way

Salisbury, Sept. 13. Police reinforcements were tonight on the way to Molo in Nyasaland where rioters yesterday looted and destroyed four African's houses and stoned policemen, it was announced by police over the Nyasaland Government's Emergency Radio, station.

The radio said a rioter was believed to have been shot dead when police opened fire on a hostile crowd. A native authority courthouse was also destroyed in the rioting.

The riots began when police arrested two people involved in an unauthorised meeting which had been held at Molo, in the Chilwa district.

Police opened fire after the provincial commissioner had warned the rioters.

An official statement said today that a mob of 200 attacked and destroyed the courthouse of the native authority, Mbenje, in the Fort Herald district. Mbenje's own house was destroyed.

Police arrested four people. Roadblocks were found on the road from Chilwa.—Reuter.

Must Be Conference Between Belligerents

FIRST LONDON REACTION

New York, Sept. 13. Mr Robert Murphy, United States Assistant Secretary of State, announced today that the United States rejected Communist China's new demands to enlarge the composition of the Korean peace conference.

He said in a speech to the American Association for the United Nations that the Chinese Communists' newest counter proposals to seat the Soviet Union, India, and three other countries as neutrals in the conference was only a "minor variation" of the Soviet's resolution defeated last month by the United Nations General Assembly.

Mr Murphy said that the United States idea of a conference between the belligerents must be adhered to. He added that there was no reason at all for the Chinese Communists to be invited to the United Nations to discuss the questions.

Mr Murphy said that the United Nations had picked its side, "and the Communists have only to pick theirs and agree on a time and place to meet."

Mr Murphy said that the United States was unwilling even to talk about giving Communist China a UN seat at this time.

Mr Murphy said that while the Chinese Communists had agreed to halt their aggression in Korea they "continue to flout recognised standards of international behaviour."

"The United States is opposed even to the consideration of any proposal to seat the Chinese Communist aggressors in the United Nations," Mr Murphy said.

"We are confident that a large majority of the General Assembly will continue to stand with us on this," he added.

Mr Murphy expressed the view that the forthcoming Korean political conference "can achieve success."

"It will be," he said, "should not be complicated by serious criticism from non-participants."

Turning to the Soviet Union, Mr Murphy said that the Russians and shown "complete contempt for civilized international standards" by holding or failing to account for hundreds of thousands of Second World War prisoners.

"There is evidence," he said, "that many of the prisoners of war, most of whom are from Germany, Japan, and Italy, are still alive."

This was not unrelated, he said, to the forced labour system involving citizens of the Soviet group of countries.

Mr Murphy urged the UN General Assembly take up the forced labour problems.

"Millions of lives are at stake," he declared. "It is our hope that the weight of world opinion will influence the Soviet Union to take heed and to move towards conformity with recognised standards of international conduct."

ILLUSIONS ENDED

Mr Murphy said recent world events, including the death of Stalin, had aroused hopes for the relaxation of international tension.

"Any illusions of Soviet invincibility," he said, "ended with the Stalin era."

LONDON OPINION

London, Sept. 13. Diplomatic quarters said here today Britain will resist the attempt of the Chinese Premier, Mr Chou En-lai to resurrect in the United Nations the argument whether the Korean political conference should be two-sided or round-table.

This issue caused much misgiving here last month when Britain, then supporting a round-table meeting, found herself opposing the American view at the special General Assembly session. The "round-table" would have brought in nations which did not fight but which were concerned about Korea's future.

After bitterly debating the issue with the United States and eventually agreeing to the two-sided formula, Britain is certainly not going to give any backing to Communist moves to raise the issue in the open again.

Article 60 of the Korean armistice, agreed called for the political conference to settle the Korean question, and, at Chinese insistence in the drafting, specifically a conference of "both sides."

HOPES DAMPENED

Mr Chou En-lai's cable to the United Nations was seen here as an attempt to make the utmost propaganda before the Korean political conference and will probably defer the scheduled opening of the meeting, due before the end of next month.

As such it dampened diplomatic hopes here that an easing of tension in the Far East would come as the conference moved into its session.

It was noted that Mr Chou En-lai, in his cable, has only replied to the United Nations formal notification of the General Assembly's decision. He has so far apparently ignored the invitation by the 10 nations with troops in Korea to attend the political conference on October 10 at either Geneva, San Francisco or Honolulu.—Reuter.

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Murder Of HK Priests Sequel

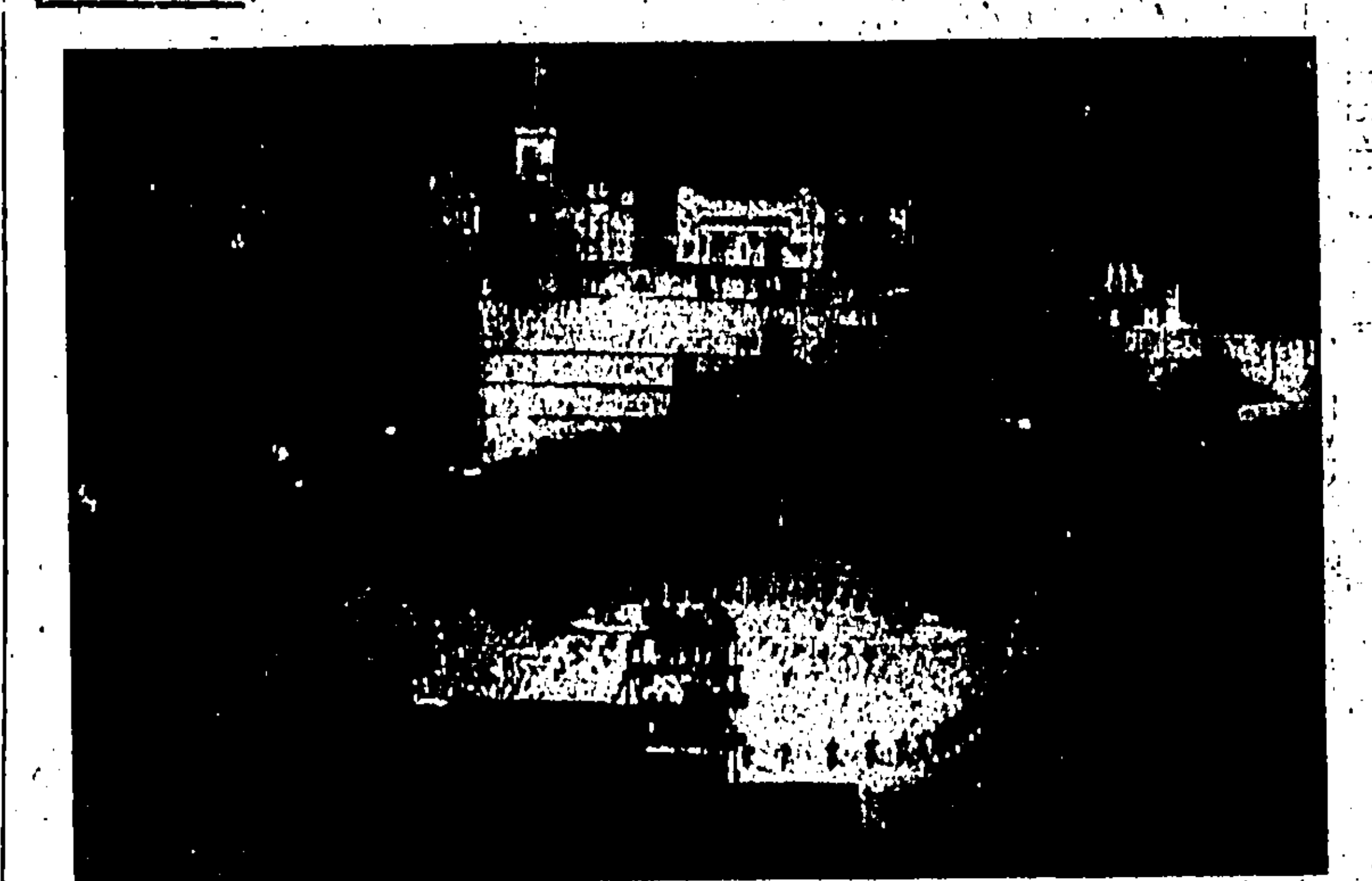
One Man Charged

Late this morning at the Central Magistracy, Law Shui-chung, 32, earth cooler, of an unnumbered hut, Apichau, stood in the dock before Mr Hin-shing Lo charged with the murder of the Rev. Father Peter Ngai and John Baptist Cheng at Holy Souls' Church, Star Street, with others not in custody, on September 7.

Law, dressed in a dark brown Chinese style suit, stood silent as the charge was read out and explained to him by the Court Interpreter. The Magistrate was then told by Detective Sub-Inspector W. B. Scraggs, for the Prosecution, that the defendant had spent most of his life in the Colony and could speak Cantonese as well as his native Chi Chau dialect.

The accused was remanded three days in Police custody for further inquiries.

Tattoo At Edinburgh Castle



The scene at floodlit Edinburgh Castle during the military tattoo held there recently.

Mossadegh Pleads For His Life

Teheran, Sept. 13. The fallen premier, Mohammed Mossadegh, ordered court-martialled by the Shah of Iran, has asked that his life be spared, a government spokesman said today.

The spokesman, Armid Nouri, confirmed at a press conference that the court martial was ordered by the Shah himself. Preparations for the trial are being made as rapidly as possible, he said.

Nouri said that Dr Mossadegh, States have no imperialist intentions in providing this aid."

The Iran Party, Socialist, has long supported Dr Mossadegh. It went underground when General Zahedi assumed power on August 19, and many of its leaders are now in prison.

ANTI-COMMUNIST

The Third Force Party is Socialist and at the same time extreme nationalist. Its strongly anti-Communist attitude was maintained even during the last days of the Mossadegh regime when Dr Mossadegh was being given Communist support. Its leader, Khalil Mahdavi, was arrested some days ago and many other Party leaders are also detained.

The Society for the Freedom of the People of Persia, pro-Mossadegh and strongly anti-American, followed a Socialist policy.

The manifesto showed that Dr Mossadegh's supporters have at last got possession of a printing press.

Political observers consider the Communist had a share in helping draw up the manifesto. They regard the passing reference to "Red Imperialism" in attacks on Britain and the United States as an old Communist trick, since nationalism is a very strong factor which politicians must take into account.—Reuter.

Several French battalions—the exact number was withheld for security reasons—ran into stiff opposition, particularly around three Red-held villages along the right bank of the Day River.

Bearcats roared in low over the Red strongholds and bombed and strafed rebel emplacements. The three bases were "neutralised" by the radio a spokesman announced tonight. He declined further details.—United Press.

OFFEN OPPOSITION

Teheran, Sept. 13. A manifesto signed by three political parties conducting a pro-Mossadegh "resistance movement" today called the Government of General Fazlollah Zahedi "illegal."

Declaring "continuous war" against Prime Minister Zahedi, it was the first public demonstration of any organised opposition to the Zahedi Government.

The manifesto said branches of the resistance movement must be formed throughout the country, especially in factories and Government departments.

It called on all sections of Dr Mossadegh's National Movement to become secret "National Resistance Movement" centres.

The manifesto was signed by the Iran Party, the Society for the Freedom of the People of Persia, and the Third Force Party. It attacked "Red Imperialism" as well as condemning the "Imperialism" of the United States and Britain.

But the wording of the document had a strong Communist tinge and the main targets of its attack were the two Anglo-Saxon powers.

In a reference to the United States grant of \$45 million aid, the manifesto said: "Is it possible to believe that the United States has no imperialist intentions in providing this aid?"

Britain To Help Pay For Tests

Canberra, Sept. 13. Britain has agreed to pay for industrial work done by private firms in Australia for tests of British guided weapons at Australia's huge Woomera testing range, it was announced here today.

Until now Australia has borne the cost of all industrial work carried out by private firms in Australia for the tests.

The announcement followed discussions on the development of guided weapons between the British Minister of Supply, Mr Duncan Sandys, and the Australian Prime Minister, Mr Robert Menzies, the Australian Minister of Supply, Mr Howard Beale, and the other Ministers concerned.

They discussed the programme for the next few years which includes the testing of several important weapons for the use of all three services.

The Woomera range was originally established by Britain and Australia in co-operation as a testing ground for guided missiles, but the joint decision to turn the range into an empire atomic testing ground introduced new economic problems.

Australia, felt she could not bear the new cost on the present basis. She is reported to have spent £230,000,000 already.—Reuter.



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Britain To Build Ships For Russia?

Govt Considering Applications

London, Sept. 13. Mr J. P. L. Thomas, First Lord of the Admiralty, has told a Labour Member of Parliament that urgent consideration is being given to the question of granting licences to enable British shipyards to build merchant ships for Russia.

The Labour M.P., Mr Hector Hughes, asked in the House of Commons recently if the Russian Government had sought to place orders with British shipyards, and what difficulties had been put in their way because of the American Embargo Act.

(The Embargo Act provides for the control by the United States and co-operating foreign nations "of exports to any nation or combination of nations threatening the security of the United States, including the USSR.")

Mr Thomas, in a letter to Mr Hughes, said that the Russian trade delegation in Britain had enquired about the possibility of building a number of merchant ships for Russia.

No precise number had been named, but in general the types of ships in question were trawlers, whaling ships and dry cargo ships.

The trade delegation had, at the same time, approached a number of British firms about the construction of certain of these types of ships, subject to satisfactory conditions of price, delivery, etc., and the firms had, in turn, approached the Admiralty or the Board of Trade.

URGENT MATTER

"Although the firms have individually told us of the number of vessels for which inquiries have been made, it is possible that some of the inquiries overlap and we have therefore no precise knowledge of the number of ships involved," the letter added.

Mr Thomas said he could not give the names of the firms. "Urgent consideration is being given to the question of the grant of licences to build these ships for export, and the interested firms will be given an answer to their inquiries as soon as possible."

"It can assure you that the Government fully recognise the importance both of maintaining employment in the shipyards and of increasing international trade, but in considering the export of shipping a number of other matters have to be taken into account, including strategic considerations."

"In this connection, I ought perhaps to mention that control over the exports of strategic goods was first introduced in 1949 in the interests of our security—that is, two years before the Embargo Act became operative,"—Reuters.

Wrist Radio Receiver

Washington, Sept. 14. The United States Army has announced the development of an experimental wrist radio receiver similar to one used for years by the comic strip detective Dick Tracy.

The wrist radio, capable of picking up broadcasts up to 40 miles away, has been named the "Dick Tracy" by the Army, an announcement said.

The radio weighs two and one-half ounces and is worn like a wrist watch. It has an ear receiver, resembling a hearing aid, with an aerial up the sleeve, and is powered by a battery little larger than the tip of a pencil.—Reuters.

For Everest Heroes

Genoa, Sept. 13. The City of Genoa has awarded its first "International sporting trophy" to the conquerors of Mount Everest, Sir Edmund Hillary, Sir John Hunt and Shompa Tensing.—Reuters.

Daring Water Ski Feat



The daring young man on the flying skis finds this "Lady of the Lake" a lovely armful as he skims over the water at Cypress Gardens, Florida.—Reutersphoto.

Top Secret Range Being Built For Guided Missiles

Ottawa, Sept. 13.

One of the most expensive shooting galleries in the world, Canada's \$35,000,000 (about £11,700,000) guided missile range in Northeastern Alberta, will be ready for use early in 1954.

Construction work has advanced so quickly this summer that by the end of October about 24 of the 45 major buildings will be turned over to the Royal Canadian Air Force for occupancy.

The remainder are expected to be completed within a few months.

More than 1,000 building workers have laboured day and night throughout the summer in a race against time to get the major buildings up before the onset of the winter. Building started in 1951, but the remoteness of the site and the difficulties of working in the frigid winter months made progress exceedingly slow until summer came.

Now all the excavating and foundation work has been done and completion of the job in good time is expected to present few difficulties.

The project, which includes 4,000 square miles, is regarded by the armed services as highly secret and few details about it have been divulged. It is known, however, that upwards of 2,000 airmen and technical experts, and their families, will live all the year round in this far northern town in a self-contained settlement.

VAST DIVIDENDS

While its remote situation has presented considerable difficulties during building, it is expected to pay vast dividends when the range finally goes into operation. The difficulty of access is regarded as a fine security factor.

There will be no atomic tests at the new range, which has not yet been named. Canada has no atom bombs and does not intend to make any. What will be tested in this northern wilderness will be air-to-air guided missiles which were fired for the first time near Ottawa late in August.

Development work on the missiles is being done at the Valcartier experimental site in Quebec by the defence research board. Two of the missiles developed there and now not far from assembly line production.

EAST GERMANY'S PROPAGANDISTS AT A LOSS

Berlin, Sept. 14.

East German propagandists are groping for some philosophy which would soften the rebuffs to Communism administered by the West German electorate a week ago.

Ignoring East German pleas to vote against Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, the electors gave him more votes than before, and all the Communist deputies lost their seats.

The hesitation of East German propagandists to react clearly in their disappointment over the West German elections is widely believed to originate from a similar silence in the Kremlin, which is preoccupied with its own problems.

These, in the foreign field, can probably be narrowed down to present to what reply to give the three Western Powers to their sole invitation the Soviet Union to four-Power talks on Germany and Austria at Lugano, Switzerland.

The reply was probably postponed until the election results were known. There was a chance that the Social Democrats might whittle down Dr Adenauer's majority and simplify the way for all-German unity talks.

There is little doubt that the election results make it harder for the Soviet Union to say what she has to say. No one

The Christian Democratic Union, holding 244 of the 487 seats, could force through an electoral reform on its own.

WANTS PLEBISCITE

But the influential Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung has advocated a wide consultation on the matter, which it said was too important to be decided on a narrow margin of votes.

"The voters themselves should decide how they want to vote," the paper said, advising Dr Adenauer to bring in a bill altering the Constitution to allow a plebiscite on the question.

Opinion is about equally divided on whether the Soviet Union, now that the elections are over, will accept the West's invitation to four-Power talks.

Allied officials consider the Soviet Union would be loath to abandon a chance to discuss a bargain over Germany.

The propaganda value for home consumption they say might alone be considered worth the meeting. At worst it would be another arena for Soviet spokesmen to try to spoil relations between Britain, France and the United States.—China Mail Special.

Extremists Out Of The Picture

Berlin, Sept. 13.

Herr Ernst Reuter, Lord Mayor of West Berlin, today defined the results of the West German elections as a victory of the moderates over extremists of both left and right.

He was speaking over Rias, the United States sponsored radio in Berlin, in his fortnightly review of events affecting Berlin entitled "Where the shoe pinches."

Herr Reuter said extreme radicalism of the right and the left, had, at least for the moment, no chance in Germany.

"These foreign observers who are constantly searching for such radicalism with a microscope must realize that the situation in Germany in this respect has improved compared with the conditions we had after the First World War," he said.—Reuters.

can now pursue the argument that the electorate is yearning for freedom from Dr Adenauer's "Fascist" regime, as East German papers consistently claimed.

BIG IMPETUS

Figures also show that talks of a neo-Nazi triumph was equally inaccurate.

Another aspect of the West German elections is that they have given a powerful impetus to the development of a two-party system with constituency representation on British lines.

Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's Christian Democratic Union created something of a wobble by being returned with an absolute majority in an election in which the proportional principle dominated. But the party is overwhelmingly opposed to this system, which favours a multiplicity of parties.

Herr Hans Ehard, Christian Democratic Premier of Bavaria, has already asked the new Bundestag (Lower House) in a radio speech to introduce a simple majority electoral system within the next four years.

Wants Contract Investigated

Washington, Sept. 13.

Senator Wayne Morse has called for a Congressional investigation of the latest defence contracts awarded to General Motors Corporation.

The Oregon Independent objected to the huge Corporation getting contracts to build \$200,000,000 worth of medium tanks and \$85,000,000 worth of trucks. The Army announced the award of the contracts yesterday.—United Press.

SHIP ORDERED TO LEAVE

Port Said, Sept. 13.

Egyptian naval authorities ordered the 945-ton Greek ship Sarnon to leave by noon today after her captain refused to unload a cargo from Israel branded by an Egyptian prize court as "war contraband."

The freighter was refused permission to pass through the Suez Canal on her way from Haifa to the Israeli port of Eilat on the Gulf of Aden, and Mombasa, Kenya, with a cargo of asphalt and motor vehicles.—Reuters.

COMET'S BID FOR RECORD

London, Sept. 13. A 500 mph Comet took off from London Airport tonight on the first jetliner flight from Britain to South America.

The Comet is trail-blazing for a new London-South America jetliner service to be started by British Overseas Airways Corporation early next year.

She is expected to record the fastest time ever made by an airliner on the 6,000-mile journey from London to Rio de Janeiro.

Scheduled time is 20½ hours, including stops, with only 10 hours in the air. Journey time by British piston-engined aircraft is about 31 hours.

The aircraft is one of the new series two Comets which have Rolls-Royce Avon engines and greater range and speed than the original models.

The Comet is due to reach Rio de Janeiro at 1400 GMT tomorrow, flying by Lisbon (Portugal), Dakar (West Africa) and Recife (Brazil).—Reuters.

ARRIVES IN LISBON

Lisbon, Sept. 13. A British Overseas Airways jet Comet airliner arrived in Lisbon tonight on the first leg of a pioneer jet flight across the South Atlantic.

The Comet flew from London to Lisbon in two hours 55 minutes.—United Press.

Russia Claims Another 'First'

Paris, Sept. 13.

The first combat tank in the world was invented by a Russian, according to a Tass report today.

Lieutenant-General Ivan Lebedev of the Soviet armoured forces was quoted by Tass as saying that in 1837, the Russian inventor, Zagrijski, had constructed an armoured tank.

The first heavy tank in the world was said to have been planned by the Russian chemist, Mendeleev, in 1911, and tried out in 1915 by two Russian engineers.

The statement was made on the occasion of Tank Day to be celebrated tomorrow throughout the Soviet Union.—France-Press.

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Briton's Amazing Feat

Records Shattered
By Donald J. Healey

Wendover, Utah, Sept. 13. A British Austin-Healey "100" yesterday shattered every existing record for stock cars, regardless of engine size, for flying and standing starts over distances of up to 10 miles.

When Donald Healey, designer and driver of the car, stepped from the stock model at the end of the runs, it was obviously announced that, subject to confirmation, a number of international and American records had been broken.

The record-breaking runs were made on the Bonneville Salt Flats here.

The most important international records broken were:

The 5 kilometres—109.3905 mph.

The 10 kilometres—109.2431 mph.

The 15 kilometres—109.1727 mph.

The 20 kilometres—109.1013 mph.

The 25 kilometres—109.0300 mph.

The 30 kilometres—108.9587 mph.

The 35 kilometres—108.8874 mph.

The 40 kilometres—108.8161 mph.

The 45 kilometres—108.7448 mph.

The 50 kilometres—108.6735 mph.

The 55 kilometres—108.6022 mph.

The 60 kilometres—108.5309 mph.

The 65 kilometres—108.4596 mph.

The 70 kilometres—108.3883 mph.

The 75 kilometres—108.3170 mph.

The 80 kilometres—108.2457 mph.

The 85 kilometres—108.1744 mph.

The 90 kilometres—108.1031 mph.

The 95 kilometres—108.0318 mph.

The 100 kilometres—107.9605 mph.

The 105 kilometres—107.8892 mph.

The 110 kilometres—107.8179 mph.

The 115 kilometres—107.7466 mph.

The 120 kilometres—107.6753 mph.

POPULATION OF HEBRIDES ON THE DECLINE

Stornoway, Sept. 13. The fishermen and farmers of these "Islands That God Forgot" are giving up their centuries-old battle for survival and fleeing to the mainland.

The Atlantic seas which pound the 500 islands of the Hebrides group have made the fishermen's life a daily battle against danger. The wind and the rain, lashing in from the ocean, bring ruin and hunger each year to many of the families huddled in the grey-stone farm cottages.

Only 300 of the 2,000 square miles of the islands are cultivated and only 10 of the 500 islands are inhabited.

The other islands remain desolate with their moors and mountains and lochs. Even 30 of the inhabited islands have a population of less than 10 people.

Skye, romanticised in Scots song and poetry, is a typical example of what is happening today in the Hebrides.

In 1831, there were 24,000 people living on the islands. The 550 square miles and the waters which surround it. One hundred years later, the population was down to 10,000.

It is now just under 8,000. That means that since the turn of the century the population has decreased at the rate of three people a week.

WOMEN WANT TO GO

In Skye, as in the other islands, the people who have gone have been mainly young people, attracted by factory jobs and the amenities of the mainland. Now the islands are mainly inhabited by old people who cling grimly to the few wind-swept acres which have been family land for hundreds of years.

The womenfolk are not slow to urge the men to leave the islands. Housekeeping on the islands means living within double walls of stone, four feet thick. Little light filters in through the small windows and water seeps through the grass thatch roofs held down by weighted nets.

Often, there is no water nearby and no sanitation.

Winter storms stop the already-bad ferry services to the mainland and isolate the islanders from their doctors and their trading markets.

John Macdonald, crofter (smallholder) and part-time postman of Ardsay, on the Atlantic coast of Lewis, is one man who has just given up the uneven battle. Lewis-with-Harris is the biggest (770 square miles) island in the Hebrides, mainly famous for its rugged, home-spun Harris tweeds.

LOBSTER FISHING

But tweed spinning keeps comparatively few people on the island. Many of the others, like Macdonald, rely on their lobster pots which they lay

Some of them recall that the Gaelic name for their island home means "the Isles of the Blessed". But most of them think of themselves, bitterly, as inhabitants of "The Isles That God Forgot."—China Mail Special.

New British Fibre Subject Of Contract

London, Sept. 13. Montecatini, the Milan chemical company, are to manufacture under licence from Imperial Chemical Industries a new fibre known as "Terylene".

Imperial Chemical Industries, announcing the contract today, said "Terylene"—a polyester fibre—was expected to make a big impact on the world's textile markets because of its superiority for many apparel and industrial applications.

I.C.I. are now spending nearly £20 million on their new "Terylene" plant at Wilton, North Yorkshire.

The first stage is expected to be in production in 1955, the second stage in 1956, giving a total output of 22 million pounds (weight) a year.

But I.C.I. said the plant would still be unable to meet the demands in the large textile-producing countries.

Under the contract, Montecatini will also be able to sell the new fibre in Italy.—China Mail Special.

Morning Dip At The Zoo



Just like the humans' week-end flight to the sea in Britain—the lanky flamingos join the rush to be "first in" the water in their London Zoo enclosure.—Reuterphoto.

Aluminium Plan Link-Up Between Canada & Africa

From the forested mountains of Kitimat to the humid plains at Kpong is a jump which taxes the imagination—but it is to Kitimat, Western Canada, that Kpong, West Africa, looks for a glimpse of its future.

Kpong is the site of the Gold Coast's projected \$150,000,000 aluminium scheme. But there is a stronger connection than that.

The Aluminium Company of Canada will provide a large slice of the capital and a larger slice of the know-how for the project. A McGill graduate, Dr. G. G. G. (recently chief of Aluminium Limited's bauxite developments in British Columbia, source of Kitimat's raw material), has taken charge of the private company's preparatory work on the Gold Coast.

And, this autumn, the Gold Coast preparatory committee will tour Alcan's Canadian plants for a first-hand look at aluminium development.

Among Alcan's developments, Kitimat is the most significant project to date. It is the prime example of a vast project started from scratch under difficult geographical conditions. If the costly Kitimat project pays off,

the Gold Coast Government will have strong reassurance that the investment is worth while.

THE ADVANTAGE

The two sites, of course, reveal little in common from a geographical standpoint—and Kpong has the advantage of being close to sources of bauxite ore.

Kitimat stood in virgin territory; the flooding of 1,250,000 acres on the Volta River north of Kpong will dispossess several thousand African farmers, for whom new homes must be found.

Like Kitimat, however, Kpong stands on a river which provides a significant fishing industry and, as at Kitimat, there will be disputes on the advisability of damming the river.

But, while Kitimat workers had to fight malarious terrain and winters which hampered work, workers at Kpong must fight blazing heat and high humidity.

There is fear to fight, too: fear from the Gold Coast Northern Provinces that, in one or another, Africans may be forced to work on the project whether they want to or not.

DREAD DISEASE

Worse, there is fear of "river blindness", a dread disease spread by the simuliid fly which infests the sluggish stretches of the 900-mile river.

But the Government has promised there will be no forced labour and medical experts say the dam will flood the river swamps with deep water and, probably, wipe out the flies.

But there are at least two years of complicated negotiations ahead before any final decisions can be made.

As the plan stands, the Gold Coast Government will finance the dam and power projects with money raised locally, and in Britain. They will also undertake construction of a new port at Tema.

The aluminium smelters, however, will be controlled by private companies, though the Gold Coast Government will have a 30 per cent interest in them. The Government would like a bigger share of the smelter—but it realises that the scheme depends on the know-how of the aluminium companies and, so far, the point has not been pressed.

Largest Copter Demonstrated

Philadelphia, Sept. 13. A transport helicopter, designed to carry 40 fully-armed soldiers and de-

scribed by the Viscel Helicopter Corporation as the largest in the world, has been shown by the company here.

The giant aircraft with a 78-foot fuselage is driven by two 1,650-horsepower piston engines turning two 82-foot rotor blades.

The helicopter has not yet flown. Company officials said it was ready for ground tests and when these were completed in a month to six weeks the first flight would be made. —Reuter.

DECLINE IN WORLD OUTPUT OF COTTON?

Washington, Sept. 13. The International Cotton Advisory Committee said today there might be a decline in production of cotton in the non-Communist world during the cotton year which ends on July 31, 1954.

In its September review of the world cotton situation the Committee, an inter-governmental organisation of 28 cotton producing and consuming countries, stated:

"If production in South America remains at last year's level free world production may decline from one half to one million bales."

The Committee estimated production in non-Communist countries in the last cotton crop ending July 31, 1953, at 28,700,000 bales. This was a post-war record, and 100,000 bales higher than in the previous year.

Cotton consumption in that year increased by 650,000 bales to 29,350,000 bales.

The Committee estimated international trade at 10,400,000 bales compared with 11,100,000 bales in the 1951-52 year.

The free world's carry-over stocks on August 1, 1953 were 15,500,000 bales, the Committee said, an increase of 2,200,000 bales from stocks at the end of the previous year.

United States and Brazilian stocks increased by more than three million bales but stocks in Britain and India were reduced by 850,000 bales.—Reuter.

Catholic Bishop To Be Put On Trial

London, Sept. 13. Warsaw Radio reported today that Monsignor Kaczmarek, Bishop of Kielce, in Central Poland, is to stand trial for "espionage and subversive activity".

Three other priests, Fathers Jan Danilewicz, Jozef Dombranski and Wladyslaw Dziedlowski, and a nun, Sister Waleria Niklewski, will be tried with him tomorrow before a military tribunal in Warsaw.

The "broadest" and "most sinister" Kaczmarek, the Roman

Catholic Bishop of Kielce, was the head of a group of reactionary clergymen collecting and supplying economic, political and military information to three foreign intelligence centres: the United States Ambassador in Warsaw, Blase Lame, the Vatican, and the National Committee of Free Europe in New York.

Mr. Arthur Bliss Lane was U.S. Ambassador to Poland from 1948 until March, 1947.

Warsaw Radio declared: "Fathers Danilewicz, Dombranski and Dziedlowski, and

Cambodian Foreign Minister Gives Pledge Of Support

REVERSAL OF PREMIER'S EARLIER STATEMENT

Saigon, Sept. 13.

Prince Sisowath, Foreign Minister of Cambodia, today gave an assurance that his country is prepared to support the free nations against Communism—two days after his Prime Minister had said Cambodia would not stand against Communism unless it attempted to impose itself by force.

The Foreign Minister's statement was officially interpreted to mean that the Cambodian Government, ruling about 3,750,000 people, does not intend to back out of the war against the Vietminh rebellion in Indo-China.

Friday's statement by the Prime Minister, M. Penn Nouth, caused serious concern in Saigon. It was endorsed by the Cambodian King Norodom Sihanouk.

Prince Sisowath made his pledge in a cable sent today to Senator William Knowland, Republican leader in the United States Senate.

Senator Knowland cancelled his trip to the Cambodian capital on hearing of M. Penn Nouth's statement on Friday but has now decided to take off for Phnom Penh tomorrow.

The Senator will be accompanied by Mr. Donald Heath, the United States Ambassador, who will, it was understood, express his astonishment at M. Penn Nouth's statement.

Mr. Heath will return to Saigon tomorrow night. The Senator is expected to leave Indo-China on Tuesday for Bangkok, the capital of Thailand.

MILITARY MOVES

Senator Knowland returned to Saigon tonight from a flight over the Red River delta, a battle area of the Vietminh with the French and their local Indo-Chinese allies.

On the strength of M. Penn Nouth's statement on Friday, the French High Command started to make precautionary plans to fight the Vietminh without Cambodian help. An authoritative French military source commented: "Soldiers have to be realistic and prepare for the worst."

(Before Prince Sisowath's statement had become known, the French press agency reported from Saigon that France could not continue to provide men and equipment to the Cambodian Army if Cambodia were to become neutral in the Vietminh war.)

(The agency despatch received in Paris declared that in the opinion of French politicians and military circles in Saigon M. Penn Nouth's statement on Friday seriously jeopardised the prospects of future American help to fight the Vietminh.)

(It added that a new statement from Cambodia designed to quieten American fears was likely).—Reuter.

Employers' Application Rejected

Sydney, Sept. 13. The full bench of the Federal Arbitration Court, in its most important judgment since Australian workers won a 40-hour week in 1947, today rejected the employers' application for a lower basic wage and longer working week.

Every employer and employee in Australia will be directly affected by the ruling which will be the basis on which employers, trade unions and State Governments will determine their economic outlook for the years ahead.

The Court's decision means that the employers have lost a 90-day legal battle to secure a 44-hour week.

The Court also rejected their application for a cut of more than £3 a week in the male basic wage and a reduction in the female basic wage from 75 to 60 per cent of the male rate.—United Press.

There have been no political parties in Syria since April 1951. It is expected that demands for the formation of parties, in accordance with the new law, will be made in the near future so that party candidates may take part in the forthcoming parliamentary elections fixed for October 9.—Reuter.

lecting information for him, gathered not only in the Kielce bishopric but also in neighbouring regions of Upper Silesia and Sandomierz.

Sister Niklewski was a liaison agent with the American Embassy in Warsaw.

Monsignor Kaczmarek is the first Polish Roman Catholic Bishop to stand trial after the Second World War. It will be the first major political trial in Poland since Stalin's death.

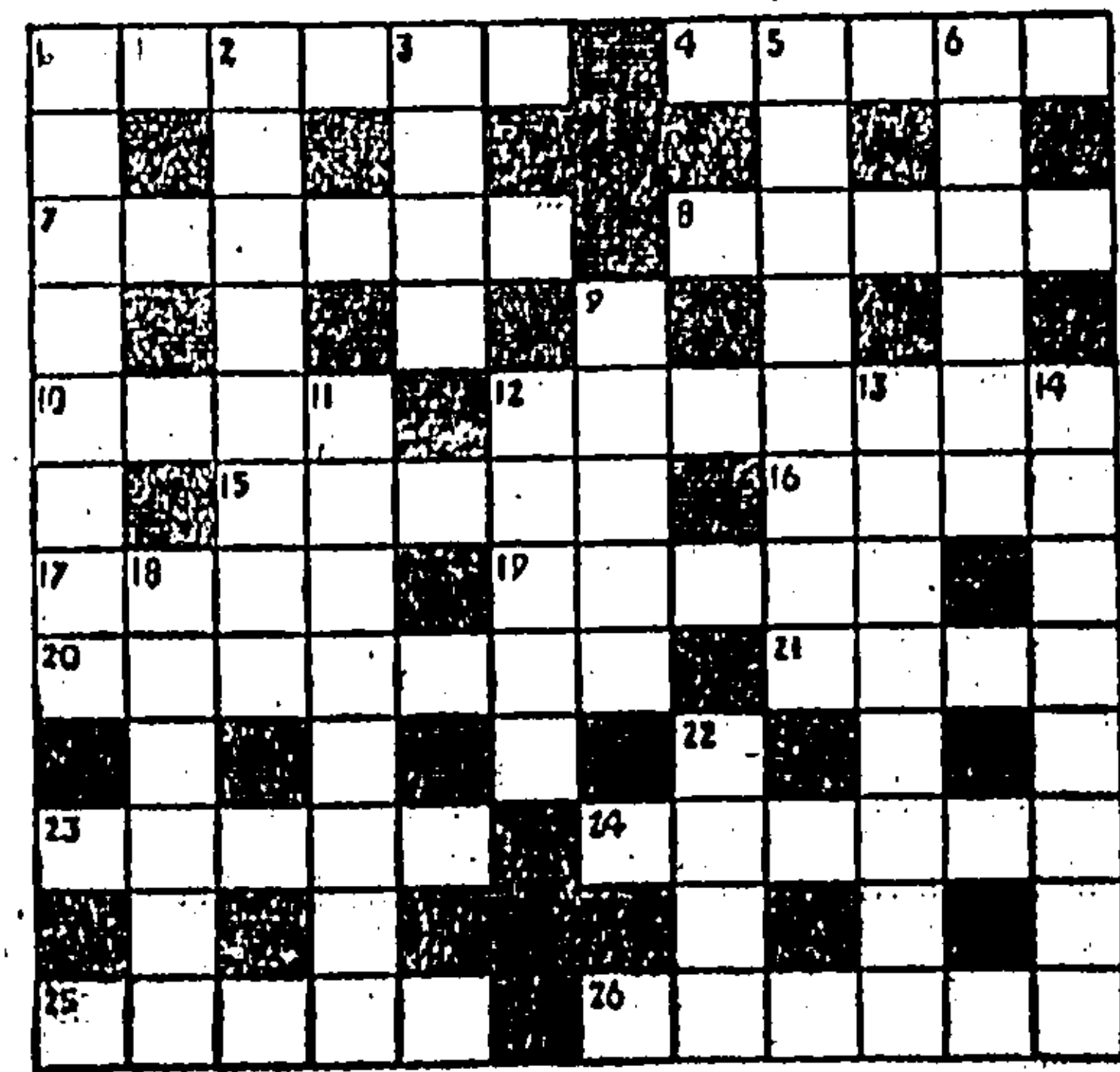
The Prince will be received by Mayor Vincent Impellitteri at 2 p.m. GMT after a brief visit to the Stock Exchange in Wall Street and a tour of New York harbour.—United Press.

AKIHIITO'S VISIT TO NEW YORK

New York, Sept. 13. Grover A. Whalen, chairman of the Mayor's Reception Committee, today announced the completion of plans for the reception of Crown Prince Akihito on Thursday at the City Hall.

The Prince will be received by Mayor Vincent Impellitteri at 2 p.m. GMT after a brief visit to the Stock Exchange in Wall Street and a tour of New York harbour.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- Declines (4).
 - False (5).
 - Snare (4).
 - Besides (4).
 - Parvenu (7).
 - Woke heavily (4).
 - Get up (5).
 - Animal (4).
 - Tag (5).
 - Territory (5).
 - Split (4).
 - Lesson (5).
 - Expanded (4).
 - Ordinary (7).
 - Land measure (4).
 - Dusted (5).
 - Poison (5).
 - Long for (4).
- DOWN
- Flower (5).
 - Cut Short (7).
 - Thus away (5).
 - Pace (4).
 - Lower few feet of room-wall (4).
 - Trace (4).
 - Scant (5).
 - Part of the car (4).
 - Overcast (4).
 - Best part (5).
 - Dope (4).
 - Wash (4).
 - Warded off (7).
 - Talk wildly (4).
 - Nobleman (5).
 - Snow Hut (5).
 - Harvest (4).
 - Insect (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Pencil, 7. Ice, 9. Lure, 10. Eggs, 11. Post, 13. Prosperous, 15. Term, 16. Pupa, 18. Interacted, 22. Lied, 24. Scant, 25. Ready, 26. Tor, 27. Ruling. Down: 2. Rallo, 3. Cheap, 4. Sherry, 5. Disputes, 6. Moss, 8. Cent, 12. Tink, 13. Pupil, 14. Standard, 17. Piece, 18. Pastor, 20. Entol, 21. Train, 23. Isle.

The parrot screamed, "Let's have a drink, Comrade," in Italian and Serbo-Croat

OH, IT'S SUCH A QUIET CRISIS!

From LEONARD MOSLEY

FROM the topmost turret of Duino castle, on the cliffs overlooking Trieste, a Union Jack flaps lazily in the warm breeze. In the courtyard below a bored British guard is passing the time by staring down to the smooth, blue Adriatic.

On the bench a couple of local bathing girls confirm Trieste's claim that its women have the longest legs and slimmest figures in the Istrian peninsula.

Duino castle is the official residence of Major-General Sir John Winterlton, head of the Allied Government in the Free Territory of Trieste.

When he looks out of the window of his lounge Sir John can see the famous Duino Rock—on which the ghost of a white lady is said to appear when Trieste or its inhabitants are in danger.

But now the only White Ladies around are the cocktails Sir John's servants may serve to guests who ask for a pre-dinner drink.

If there is a crisis here it is the quietest I have ever come across.

TO The Sea

FROM the British headquarters in the port—directly opposite the offices of the local Communist Party—lorries leave throughout the day for the Miramare beach, taking soldiers and their families to the sea for a swim.

Throughout Zone "A" (under the joint control of Britain and the U.S.) troops were carrying out their normal routine.

And even though the Yugoslavs demanded 24 hours' notice before allowing me to enter Zone "B"—which the Italians say Tito is threatening to annex—local residents with passes are going freely in and out of the territory.

It is only when you pass out of Trieste into the frontier region between Italy and Yugoslavia proper that you see signs that someone may be up to something—though nobody seems to be quite sure what.

I drove to the Italian garrison town of Gorizia, 25 miles from Trieste, Gorizia's 25,000 inhabitants seemed to be far more worried about Tito's plans for Trieste than the Triestines themselves.

This is one of those towns so close to the frontier that you can sit in a cafe in Italy and throw peach stones over the barbed wire to Yugoslav territory.

Fifty yards from my table 12 Yugoslav men and four Yugoslav girls were at work painting and polishing the Red Star over the railway station in preparation for Tito's visit to the area.

A parrot which the cafe proprietor keeps as a pet screams: "Let's have a drink, Comrade," in alternate Italian and Serbo-Croat.

This provoked cries of "Who is going to pay?" from the girl—until an Italian guard had the parrot taken inside and a Yugoslav soldier told the girl to talk less and work more.

Wanted: Solution

AT Gorizia military headquarters an order confining all Italian troops to barracks has now been rescinded, but all soldiers are still in camouflage operational kit and the commandant admitted to me that he has increased his patrols along the frontier. "So have the Yugoslavs," he said.

But when I asked him to comment on a Yugoslav charge that Italian soldiers had made forays into Yugoslav territory, the answer was the Italian version of a vulgar military word for "nonsense."

Back in Trieste you would not guess that there is any situation for anyone to be firm about.

Everyone in this city wants a solution to the problem of the divided Free Territory.

Trieste is a predominantly Italian port with a Yugoslav hinterland. It is vital for trade with Yugoslavia and Austria—and so long as Italy-Yugoslav animosity exists the port will continue working at half-speed. Twenty thousand out of its quarter million population are already unemployed.

Pulling Faces

THOUGH Triestines feel badly about Yugoslav treatment of Italians in Zone "B," they do not take Tito's reported annexation threat seriously. Not for the moment, anyway.

They stroll the streets and sip fruit juices in open-air cafes along the waterfront, with one of the loveliest views in Europe before them.

They know that life in Trieste will be troubled until the Powers find a solution for the divided territory. But a crisis? "Pella and Tito are just pulling faces at one another for propaganda reasons," was the way one Triestino put it. "Well, start worrying when one of them stops talking and starts brandishing his fist."



"GOOD THING TOO—BUT, DON'T TELL THE OLD MAN ABOUT IT THIS MORNING."

London Express Service

Cockney Humour At Its Best

By Peter Lovegrove

PEOPLE used to laugh at them when they walked down the street, at the contrast between the tall, angular, vivacious girl and her inseparable and diminutive companion. Cockney tradesmen dubbed them "the long and the short of it." In their teens, their one aspiration was to become variety artistes, and one day they decided that if people found them funny in the street there was no reason why audiences shouldn't find the contrast just as amusing on the stage.

Thus was born the successful music-hall team of "Reynell and West—the Long and Short of it," a combination which gave us immeasurable pleasure for some twenty years.

Little Gracie West more or less dropped out after the war through failing health aggravated by the bombing raids—they were in all the Blitzes—and only makes periodical appearance now.

adays. But Ethel Reynell's versatility has increased in range and stature, and now she has become our most accomplished and best-loved variety comedienne.

She has come a long way to reach the top of the tree. Her present North London mansion is in another world to the East End home of her childhood. But she has remained the Clerkenwell Cockney kid who got sacked from her first job as errand girl in an Eastcheap office for making faces at the clerks—friendly, full of expressive vitality, and completely unaffected. These three attributes, more than anything, explain the secret of her continued success.

She enjoys life to the full, is intensely interested in people, ordinary people, and she can portray their simple joys and little sorrows with a warmth of understanding and a sure sense of humour which contain neither exaggeration nor sting.

Likes Children

Above all, she likes children, and her little Angela is a symbol of all the London children she has known—a natural, inquiring, artful and perky imp, devoid, thank heavens, of precocity and any inclination to score off her elders.

Despite the stream of demands for appearances from theatre managers, BBC sound and television producers, Miss Reynell has never forgotten the troops serving overseas. She was one of the first British artistes to entertain the men fighting in Korea—she went out there in the winter of 1951—and she has also toured Germany and Austria.

On September 21, she flies from London again, this time on an eight weeks' tour of the Middle East, which will take her to Malta, Tripoli, Alexandria, and the Suez Canal Zone. At least two of the troops with the distinctive Reynell trade mark are also making the trip. Little Angela's abbreviated frock and toy fluffy dog, for one; and a gorgeous ostrich queen's hat with a superlative coloured feathers, for another.

Strong Party

Miss Reynell is taking a very strong concert party with her. There's Maurice Fogel, the famous mind-reader, who's also going to do a sensational ballet catching up, pianist Lauri Day, the charming Four Vocalists, and comedian Peter Kent.

Peter knows his Middle East far better than most. A regular soldier when World War Two broke out, he became one of the first Commandos, and with the legendary Force 135 on Special Service operations, he took part in guerrilla warfare in Crete and Greece, and later with Spencer Chapman in Malaya.

He left the Army in 1946 to produce and compare variety shows in Bulla camps, has made many appearances in pound and TV shows, and entertained troops in Germany, Austria and Trieste.

"Whatever made you leave the Regular Army for the variety stage?" I asked him. "Just wanted to sleep late in the mornings," he replied.



CHURCHILL'S WEEK-END GUEST ... The one they're talking most about

At Chequers two week-ends ago Sir Winston Churchill entertained a Minister whose visit has set politicians speculating afresh. Why did Sir Walter Monckton postpone his holiday for this week-end visit? Is Churchill persuading him to forsake his legal ambitions for the Foreign Office? The spotlight on a Minister about whom little is known.

SIR WALTER MONCKTON'S interview at Downing Street had lasted about ten minutes before he realised the disconcerting truth that the new Prime Minister was not, after all, offering him the job of Attorney-General.

The place that Churchill wanted him to fill in his Tory Government was the one that promised to be the most uncomfortable of all—Minister of Labour. Sir Walter expostulated. He was a lawyer by experience. He knew little or nothing of labour problems. In fact he was a newcomer to politics altogether, having been an M.P. only eight months.

"Exactly," explained Churchill. "You have no political past."

"And now," reflected Sir Walter ruefully, "you seem to be ensuring that I'll have no political future."

That is the story of how Churchill broke the news to Monckton. Unlike many tales of his lively Cabinet-making it is, I believe, an authentic one.

But, even if it were not, nobody would be surprised at Sir Walter's sentiments on being confronted with this startling assignment.

The surprise comes in the sequel. For in less than two years Sir Walter's wry words stand refuted by his own deeds.

Already he has made such a success that the Government's opponents openly acclaim him.

He has gained a political past and made his political future the most intriguing topic of Westminster.

Where next?

WHERE will promotion take him? Will it be to the Foreign Office? Or will he perhaps be allowed to go where his friends say his real yearning lies—to the Queen's Bench at the Law Courts as Lord Chief Justice? The next few weeks may provide an answer.

One thing is certain. No man is less bothered about the exciting prospects suggested for him than Sir Walter himself. As Mr. Tom O'Brien, Socialist M.P. and chairman of the Trades Union Congress, put it to me: "He is the least ambitious front-bencher in politics."

A Tory friend agreed: "His modesty is overwhelming. He always seems genuinely interested when you talk to him—and the secret is that he is." At first the same thing strikes everybody who meets Sir Walter. He is so pleasant, so friendly, so gay. He is always smiling.

Then comes suspicion: Is it all a front? What is behind all this charm? What is the simple conclusion: there is no catch in Sir Walter at all. He is just that strange rarity in public life, a really good chap.

His critics—and there are a few—say that his pleasantness is his weakness. They argue that

politics demands men who stand firm, no matter whose feelings are hurt. But the weakness is hypothetical. None of the critics specifies where Sir Walter has put good will before principle.

It was, of course, the Duke of Windsor who brought Sir Walter into public life. They met at Oxford when Monckton was president of the Union and the then Prince of Wales a bored undergraduate at a debate.

Monckton sent the Prince a slip of paper with permission to leave before the end.

They became friends, and the friendship has persisted.

Monckton made another valuable friend early in his career. Lord Hewart, the famous Lord Chief Justice, took an interest in him.

He had lost a son in World War I and he liked to encourage young barristers like Donald Somervell (now a Lord Justice of Appeal) and Wilfrid Greene (Master of the Rolls before he died) who had done well at the war.

Won the M.C.

MONCKTON, as an officer with his county regiment, the Royal West Kents, had been heavily gassed and had won the Military Cross.

The effects of the gassing, by the way, lasted late into life, causing bouts of hoarseness. It was after one such spell, during which he had had his throat cauterised, that Monckton put the following notice on his desk at the wartime Ministry of Information:—

"Have had throat cut this morning."

(1) As you see, only partly successful.

(2) Not, strange to say, S.I. "But"

(a) Can't speak.

(b) Can't help listening.

Special notice to ladies: Can't whisper!

Fortunately, Monckton's hoarseness was rare enough to cause no impediment to his career at the Bar.

He was already gaining prominence when the Prince of Wales—Suicidal intent.

Wales, by appointing him his legal adviser, set him on the road that led to the headlines of the Abolition crisis.

It was Monckton who shuttled between Downing Street and Fort Belvedere with the King's messages and Baldwin's replies.

It was Monckton who was with the King as he went in to make his farewell broadcast.

It was Monckton who drove with him to Portsmouth, where the destroyer carried him away.

Convincing

WHAT of Monckton as an advocate? Financially he became a tremendous success.

At his post-war peak his income was estimated at £80,000. His style of pleading is clear, straightforward, thorough, convincing.

But as a legal artist he does not rank with such contemporaries as Cripps (one of his closest friends), Pritt, or Lord Radcliffe.

A London solicitor who has briefed him says: "If I were looking for a barrister with no tricks, no legal acrobatics, who would make a judge feel that every effective point was really his idea, I would choose Monckton."

His cases

MONCKTON'S cases cover unusually wide ground. He defended Thomas John Ley in the Chalkpit murder trial.

He prosecuted the Rector of Salford for the Church on sensational charges of immorality.

He conducted the inquiry into the case of Dennis O'Neill, the little boy who was boarded out with foster parents and found dead in their remote farmhouse.

Monckton also appeared in two prominent suits about women.

He argued Lady Mountbatten's petition for access to some of the capital her millionaire grandfather, Sir Ernest Cassel, left in trust for her.

And he appeared for David O. Spink when he sought to stop

Vivien Leigh from performing in "The Skin Of Our Teeth."

But the most envied legal brief was that of the Nizam of Hyderabad, probably the world's richest man.

Sir Walter was, for years his legal adviser, and often flew out to India for consultations.

Flying is his favourite means of transport. He does not hold a pilot's licence, but even for short journeys he has always gone by air whenever he could.

Temple flat

AT home Sir Walter lives simply. He has given up his 15-roomed country house at Callow End, Worcestershire, and moved into a top-floor flat in King's Bench Walk, The Temple.

There he lives with his second wife (his first marriage was dissolved in 1947), who is heiress to the Scottish peerage of Ruthven.

They took the flat because, on his Ministerial salary of £4,000 a year—an immense drop from his earnings at the Bar—they could no longer afford to keep their country place going.

But Sir Walter finds some consolation in his new home—he is delighted with all the cupboard space.

How does Sir Walter keep his youthful appearance? At 62 he looks as though he were still in his forties.

His sleek black hair is really groomed. His face is young. His energy is infectious.

Yet he does not go in for violent exercise. He used to hunt, but no more. He is no golfer. Reading and an occasional game of bridge are his main recreations. But he remains a cricket fan.

Memento

AT Harrow he kept cricket in the school form and he still wears on occasion the tie of the Oxford Harlequins.

He was long president of the Surrey Club, and treasures a miniature autographed bat the club gave him.

Another cricket memento is the ball that was hit clean out of Cheetham ground, striking a Lancashire housewife outside. In her test action for damages Monckton successfully defended the club. Yet it is in golf that he now seems set to score his greatest success.

If Sir Walter's mind were known it may be that cricket and the law, in that order, are the fields he would have chosen to cultivate. Yet it is in golf that he now seems set to score his greatest success.

He will have one Ministerial memory to sustain him. On the sunny Wednesday when England won back the Ashes the Minister went off to the Oval in British attire. He had been chosen to unlock the victory champagne.



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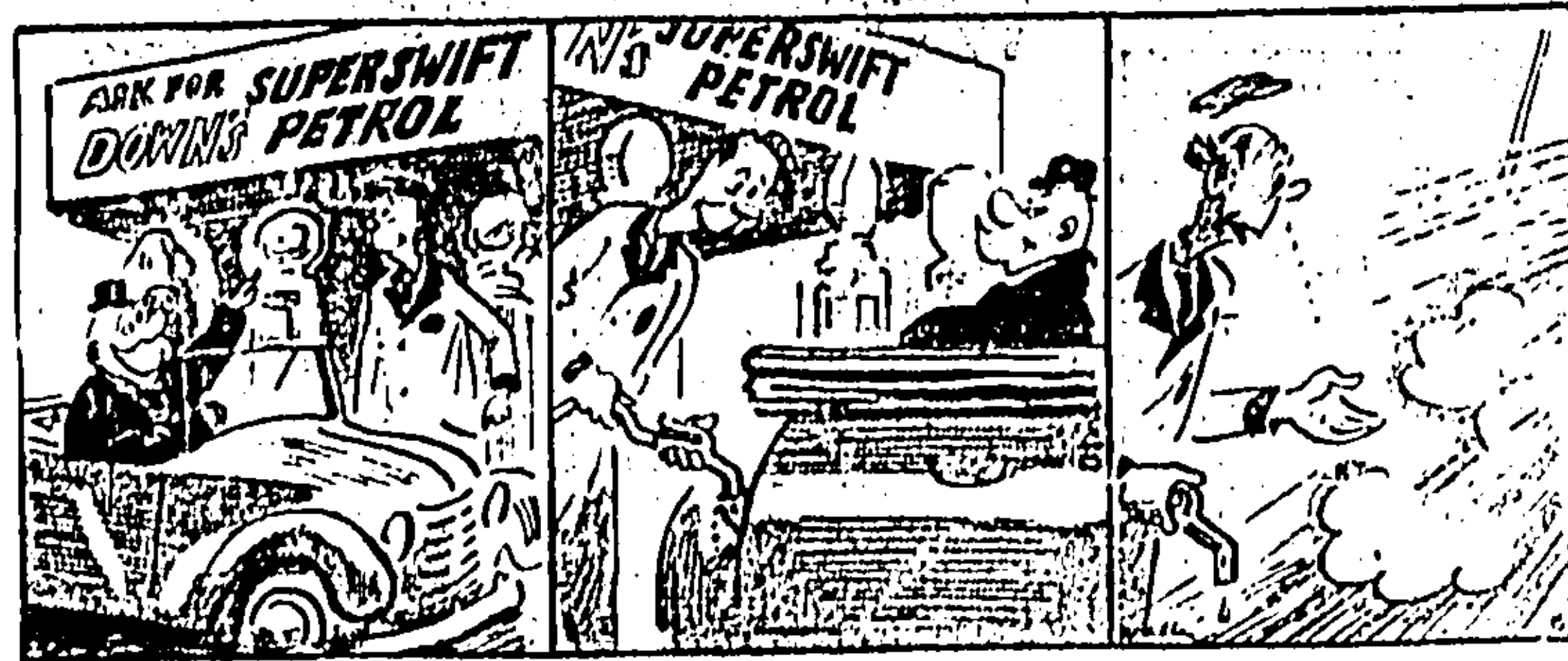
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Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter

• BY • THE • WAY •
by Beachcomber

PUSHING a large wheelbarrow filled to the brim with grouse, Captain Foul-enough arrived at Muchie Lodge in time for dinner. "I never shot so many birds in my life," he said to Angus McRush. "Where did you get them?" "On a little-frequenting moor," said the Captain, sipping tea. "The grouse were red-hot. They came over in droves." "My brother has just rung up to say that a lot of the birds that he shot yesterday have been stolen," said Angus. "Then he shall have these," said the Captain, and he wheeled his wheelbarrow through the broad and narrow to a poultry-seller in the nearest town, and sold his grouse for a good round sum. That neighbourhood saw him no more.

The last mamba together

Nowadays one meets all kinds of people on one's holidays.

Artful on travel.

The H-bomb? A mere geogaw

WHO has got the H-bomb, said to be 175,000 times as powerful as the H-bomb? Come, speak up, in order that we may get on with the world disarmament proposals.



"I'm looking for something my wife can exchange for something else."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

BORN today, you are more a person of thought, ideas, and day-dreaming than one of action. Yet, if you are thrust into a position where you are able to organize your plans efficiently and push them through, it is just that you will prefer to let the rest of the world do the pushing, while you sit back and plan. You are not too shrewd in business and if you are going to make money you need to have a good manager to keep things moving.

History, science, philosophy, literature—all the world of ideas attracts you. You are not too happy, probably, if you never had to earn a living, but could spend your time reading, listening to good music, and dreaming your dreams of future greatness. Especially interested in the mysterious, you might wish to delve into this deeply at some period in your life.

The stars have given you a keen talent for analysis and you know how to look at a problem, size it up, and then cut straight to the heart of the matter, sifting out the red as you progress. This will make you a valuable asset as an executive or as an educational administrator.

Although you are not demonstrative in showing your affections, and have deep emotions and could not be happy, probably, if you never had to earn a living, but could spend your time reading, listening to good music, and dreaming your dreams of future greatness. Especially interested in the mysterious, you might wish to delve into this deeply at some period in your life.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15. VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—If you are in charge of a job, be patient and calm, even if things seem to be stacked.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—You can make up later on for a minor setback which threw your security right now. Be diplomatic, too. You will regret it, if you do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Keep things as they are. Don't try to make major changes just now. You will regret it, if you do.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Let your intuitions guide you properly at this time. That could be what they are for. Pay attention to them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you are planning a trip, this is a fine day to start out. It could be either for business or pleasure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If you have been making careful plans to begin an important objective, this could prove the right day to do it. Let your intuitions guide you properly at this time. That could be what they are for. Pay attention to them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)—Inspiration and new ideas must be proved workable, or they are worthless. Test everything carefully.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Follow a conservative pattern of action today. Don't be too sure of a bit of new idea presented to you by others.

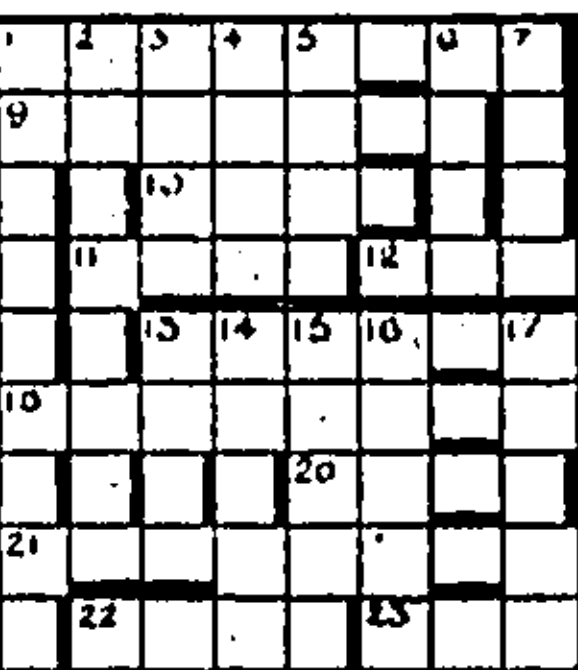
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Catch up on your correspondence before it gets too far behind. You lose friends by not writing.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Be careful in making use of the opportunities now offered. Some are good; others could be unwise for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Make a gesture of friendliness toward someone you may have been neglecting recently. Do that good deed today.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Life talk and the glamour of gossip should have nothing at all to do with you. Ignore them all.

CROSSWORD



Across—
1. Precursor science of arms. (8)
9. A girl has got her in time. (7)
10. Where to chain a clerk. (4)
11. Anti-untilness. (4)
12. Full of sin and sin. (6)
13. Confused Indian seamen. (7)
14. Inclined to be peevish. (4)
15. Opposite to modern. (4)
16. Against all reason. (4)
17. It makes the heart of a man. (4)
18. Make this and rise in the world. (4)
Down—
1. Rugged player in cap and bat. (7)
2. Leave out in the circumstances. (8)
3. A broken record. (4)
4. Ground of any size. (4)
5. Model for shoemakers. (4)
6. You don't do this to a pen. (6)
7. Pounding in inn yards. (5)
8. Dangling fish wings. (4)
9. Time runs a bit hazy. (5)
10. On with this and find an operator. (4)
11. A hundred and fifty adopt a purpose. (6)
12. Four months has about 29½ days. (4)
13. Unsocial with bad temper. (4)
14. Unsocial with bad temper. (4)

SOLUTION TO CHECK SATURDAY'S PUZZLE

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SADIE D. MINTER
Re-arrange the letters to spell her occupation.
(Solution on Page 10)

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WOMANSENSE



Keep Your Treasures Beautiful

By Eleanor Ross.

DO you have a carved white alabaster lamp base, vase or statuette among your treasures? Or did you receive one for Christmas?

Since the vogue for alabaster seems on the increase, you might want to pick up a lamp or vase of it at auction or in a used furniture or thrift shop, and restore it yourself. It isn't an easy job, but if directions are carefully followed it can be done.

Alabaster is lovely and at its best when gleaming white, without any discoloration, and it is worthwhile keeping it that way.

USE ACID WITH CARE

Dissolve a half-ounce of powdered oxalic acid in one pint of water. (Use acid with care and keep it out of reach, since it is poison.) Brush the solution on quickly and let it remain for two or, at the most, no more than three minutes by the clock. Then wipe it off with a cloth wrung out of clear water. The application may have to be repeated if the alabaster is badly stained or discolored, but this should do the trick.

CARE OF IVORY

Objects of ivory are in demand too, a favorite choice by travelers in the Orient as souvenirs and gifts. Ivory can be washed in mild suds, and should be rinsed and dried carefully. Ivory yellows with age and more quickly if kept away from light, so keep ivory pieces where light can reach them. Very yellow ivory can be restored by scraping, but this is a job for an expert. If you receive a set of knives with ivory handles, never let them soak in water.

Just another rare and beautiful choice for fine lamp bases, vases and other ornaments, should be carefully dusted and given an occasional wash with mild soapsuds, the water just warm, and then should be rinsed and dried carefully. Jade does not deteriorate or discolor, so it is only necessary to keep it clean.

Ordinary soil can be removed with warm water softened with a little borax, and a good detergent or mild soap. To keep soil or discoloration from a new or restored piece, pure white water wax emulsion may be applied.

When the hand was actually played, South blithely played a low club from dummy at the first trick. He thought that he intended to take the club thence sooner or later anyway, and he didn't want to be talked out of this finesse.

East won with the king of clubs and returned the eight of clubs. West won the second defensive trick by ruffing and led a heart to his partner's ace. East led another club for West to ruff, and West then cashed the ace of diamonds. The defenders collected a penalty of 200 points with two aces, two clubs, and the king of clubs. South should have won 620 points instead of losing 200. It was just a matter of knowing and applying the simple rule mentioned in Saturday's column: Study the dummy to see whether or not you need to ruff any losing cards with dummy's trumps. If you need such ruffs don't draw the trumps; if you don't need such ruffs, do draw the trumps.

In this case, South did not need any ruffs in the dummy, and therefore should have looked for a way to draw the trumps as quickly as possible. South could afford to lose one club trick and the two red aces. To guard against a ruff, the correct play is to win the first trick with dummy's ace of clubs. South can then draw trumps and proceed to give up the three tricks that he can well afford to lose—the two red aces and the king of clubs.

In today's hand the South player managed to lose 200 points instead of winning 620 points. It pays to know the simple rule that makes a difference of 820 points in each of these hands.

CARD SERIE

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been: North, East 2 Diamonds; South, West 3-2. Hearts K-J-5, Diamond 6, Clubs A-K-J-5-2. What do you do?

A—Bid three clubs. You cannot raise the hearts to three with only a three-card trump holding. Hence you bid your own suit and await developments.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades 7-5-3, Hearts K-J-5-2, Diamond 6, Clubs A-K-J-5-2. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

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Can't you hear a brogue?

SURE AND IT'S OLD IRELAND SETTING THE FASHION

THAT white tweed dress on the right—it came from Paris; you might be thinking, or, if not Paris, then Rome... or maybe New York.

Wrong, wrong, wrong. That oh-so-lovely dress came from a spot song-writers never stop telling us about but the world of fashion scarcely ever talks of. Yes, it came from Ireland herself—from the very heart of Dublin.

It is there that Sybil Connolly has her sketchboard... and it was there that she designed that dress.

Why white tweed? Well, they say it's going to be a white Christmas this year. And white, thick, soft, warm, muffled-up white... is fashion's way—Sybil Connolly's way—of dealing with the ice, sleet, and snow.

Erin for ever

Miss Connolly, 32 years old, slim, vivacious—in fact, quite a colleen—has had offers to design in Hollywood, but refuses to budge an inch.

Philadelphia plans a "Connolly week" with her designs in the windows and green bunting in the streets.

Still she stays in Dublin—and her ideas are always refreshingly new.

That bottle-green suit, now, with the scarlet and yellow fleck, which cost me only 15 guineas in Dublin... Said French designer, Pierre Balmain: "Before you start interviewing me, where did you get the piece of material in that suit?"

It was Irish tweed designed by Sybil Connolly.

The curator at Dublin Museum went one better. "Great stuff you're wearing," he said, "It wears like the floorboards. Just come and look at the skeleton buried with that tweed 2,000 years ago."

Her inspiration

Where does Miss Connolly get her ideas? Always in Ireland.

In the Gaelic-speaking Aran Islands off Ireland's west coast, she found the women wearing red-tanned petticoats—and these women live well into the eighties and never catch cold.



Just the stuff for winter top coats, thought Miss Connolly.

To flimsy ball gowns, thought Miss Connolly.

In the bare emptiness of Connemara she noted the women's black woolen shawls. Just the thing to add warmth.

And in this way, with a dab of (Irish) magic, she turns centuries-old ideas into haute couture.

LUSCIOUS PEACHES

THOSE luscious peaches now brightening the market are just asking us to enjoy them in all their fresh goodness. So some good peach recipes are in order.

Peach Charlotte is our first offering the recipe to serve 5-6. Mash 1½ c. peeled and chopped fresh peaches; combine with 2/3 c. sugar, 2 tsp. lemon juice and ¼ tsp. salt. Let stand for one hour.

Soften one envelope unflavored gelatin in ¼ c. cold water and dissolve over hot water. Stir in peach mixture. Chill until mixture begins to thicken.

Beat one egg white until stiff and gradually add 2 tsp. sugar. Fold egg white into ¾ c. heavy cream that has been whipped. Then fold ¼ tsp. ground allspice, 2 tsp. grated lemon rind and the peach mixture.

Turn into one-quart mould that has been lined with ladyfingers. Chill until firm.

The finest restaurants the world over invariably feature fresh fruit compotes, so try this special for home consumption.

Fruit Compote

To serve 6, make syrup of 2 c. water, ½ c. sugar, 2 (2-in.) sticks cinnamon and ¼ c. currant jelly. Simmer 10 min. Add one lb. fresh peaches and 4 oz. each fresh apricots and fresh cherries. Poach until tender. Chill. It's delicious when served with a custard sauce.

Household Hints

If the red binding of a cardigan sweater has become frayed, add your own trim by stitching on decorative braid, inch-wide rickrack, or a band of embroidered ribbon.

Dishes with gold or gilt trim should be washed immediately after using to prevent discoloration by acid foods. A mild soap in water a little cooler than normal is best for such dishes. Never wash them with an abrasive cleaning agent.

The crivette tool on a vacuum cleaner does a good job on upholstery furniture, and it is also invaluable in removing dust from mouldings and those tiresome cobwebs from walls and ceilings. Use it today, when you are cleaning the basement or attic.

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"That's how I learned how to swim like a fish." And with that, Mr. Punch went back to his reading. He refused to say another word. But Hand was almost sure he saw him wink.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Punch Swims Like a Fish

—And Why Shouldn't He? A Fish Was His Teacher!

By MAX TRELL

"MR. PUNCH, said Hand, "the shadow-girl with the turned-about name to her old friend, 'can you swim?'"

Mr. Punch looked up from his book, pushed his glasses back over his forehead, smiled and answered: "My dear girl, I can swim like a fish." Having said this, he pushed the glasses back over his eyes, opened the book and started to read again.

Hand was astonished. Hand let out a scream of astonishment. "You can swim like a fish? Is that what you said?" Mr. Punch grunted and went on with his reading.

"But a fish is the best swimmer in the world!" "So am I," grunted Mr. Punch.

"You—you can't swim that well! No one can!" For the moment, Mr. Punch looked as if he didn't intend to keep on with this talk about his swimming. Then all at once he shut the book with a snap, took off the glasses and put them in their leather case. He eyed Hand sternly. "Do I understand you to doubt my word about being able to swim like a fish?"

"Oh, I didn't mean anything like that," said Hand. "I just meant I didn't think anybody could ever swim as well as a fish."

"Exactly," said Mr. Punch, looking even more stern than before. "You don't believe me. Well, just let me tell you something. I say I can swim like a fish. I who taught me to swim."

Nothing is impossible. This was even more astonishing than what Mr. Punch had already said. Hand tried her best, but she couldn't help exclaiming: "That's impossible!"

"My dear," said Mr. Punch, "nothing is impossible. Or, to put it another way, things that are impossible for other people aren't impossible for me. Just let me tell you how it came to happen that I was taught to swim by a fish."

Here Mr. Punch dropped his stern look and smiled pleasantly again. Hand begged him to tell her the story.

"Well, it all happened many years ago. It was the summer of 1901, and I was sitting on the bank of the stream that flowed past our garden. My father was out fishing. We were both fishing. He had a fishing rod, and I had a fishing line. "My father," continued Mr. Punch, "had already caught several small fish. I hadn't yet caught any. I don't think, son, that there are any more fish left in the stream—and at that very instant I felt a tug on my line."

Enormous Tug. It wasn't just an ordinary little tug. It was an enormous strong tug. The next second, before I could do anything, I went flying off the bank into the water, still holding on to the fishing line. I should have let go, of course. But I wanted to catch that fish. I was sure it was a bigger one than any of those my father had caught. "And what happened?" Hand asked excitedly.

"The fish kept swimming," replied Mr. Punch, "and I kept holding on to the line. I went skimming through the water like a streak. Looking ahead, I could see the fish that was pulling me. It was a big silvery fish with eyes like saucers and a large mouth full of teeth. It wouldn't let go of the other end of the fishing line no more than I would let go of my end. We were both determined to keep holding on."

"Well, to make a long story short, we finally reached the middle of the ocean. And then the fish said to me: 'Punch, my brave lad,' he said, 'I admire your courage in not letting go of the fishing line. But let's not be foolish. "A Fair Exchange. "I tell you what I'll do. You let me have the worm on my end of the line, and I'll give you swimming lessons. Now, nothing can be fairer than that, can it? I said that sounded quite fair to me."

"So I let the fish have the worm, and he immediately gave me swimming lessons. He taught me how to swim just the way he swam. By the end of the week I was able to glide and dart and streak through the water just as well (if not a little better) than any fish in the ocean. You can imagine my father's surprise when I sprang up out of the water of the stream one day and said, 'Hi, Pop—here I am again!'"

"For a minute he really thought I was a fish. But that's the story," said Mr. Punch to Hand. "That's how I learned how to swim like a fish."

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Rupert and Ozzie—2



Being very inquisitive, Rupert hurried after the cat. "Hi! Where are you off to?" he called. "Are you going hunting?" Then he paused. "No, you can't be. He adds, 'You're all dressed up with a new ribbon. Perhaps you're going to a party. Is that it?'"

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BOWLERS WIN MATCHES— THE SEASON'S CRICKET REAFFIRMS THIS FACT

Says IAN PEEBLES

"Bowlers win matches," say the pundits. There was a time when the combination of macadam-minded groundsmen and Sir Donald Bradman's devastating blade threatened to make nonsense of this propundity, but this season's cricket has reaffirmed it.

The Test match series largely resolved itself into a duel between two great bowlers—Lindwall on the one side and Bedser on the other.

True, the batting of the rival captains reached a very high level but, as two swallows don't make a summer (especially in 1953), one batsman doesn't make a batting side. We won the decisive match because we had the bowlers for the occasion and the opposition had not.

When the reverberations of these major events had subsided, and we were able to turn our rose-tinted gaze to our domestic

affairs, it was apparent that the interest of the season had not ended at the Oval.

BLAZING THE TRAIL. "Love of country is greater than love of money," he true the best was yet to come, for the County Championship was boiling up for a fine grand-stand finish.

Here, again, bowlers were blazing the trail. As Surrey, at full strength, generated the big-

gest and brightest blaze, to muddle the metaphors just a little more, they carried the day. All hall, and in this case, "Ich allen."

One must not be ungrateful to the Surrey batsmen, who have done well on many occasions. Apart from May, there are no very dominating figures and the general effect is hardly that of a Championship County. Perhaps one's judgment is coloured by the memories of the very laborious performances, and the massacre at the hands of Lindwall and Archer.

The latter disaster may, none the less, have brought benefit elsewhere, for it may well have influenced Hassett in his exclusion of all spinners from his team for the last Test match. The Surrey bowling is well up to the highest championship standards of all times. In composition, it is similar to the great Yorkshire attacks of between-war days.

The seam bowling of Bedser, Surridge and Loader, and the spin of Laker and Lock, correspond to the like qualities of Bowes, Smiles, Macaulay and Verity. It is a formation which combines the two cardinal virtues of economy and hostility.

May we ask but one embellishment? Will the indefatigable Messrs. Surridge and Caster please now produce us a leg-break bowler of equal calibre?

In the national interest we shall not grudge them the championship, which this would assure them for several years. Such success would not, of course, be unprecedented, for having won the championship in 1887 for the first time, Surrey did not lose it again until 1895. Thereafter, they won it but twice in more than 60 years—once in the confused days of August, 1914.

GLORIOUS ERAS

At the risk of being assaulted by some exasperated batsman with no other immediate use for his bat, I must point out that this pattern upholds the opening text, for the glorious era of the eighties and nineties was the era of Lohmann, Lockwood and Richardson.

The twenties were glorious for Hobbs, Knight, Sandham, Jardine, Ducat, Jeacocke, Shepherd and many another fine player, but even the genius of Fender could not bring enough from a meagre bowling side to take advantage of the speed and abundance of their scoring.

The original object of this exercise was to congratulate Stuart Surridge on Surrey's latest win, which was so largely due to his own splendid leadership. Sorry if I stumbled over my soap-box in the process!

BASEBALL SCORES

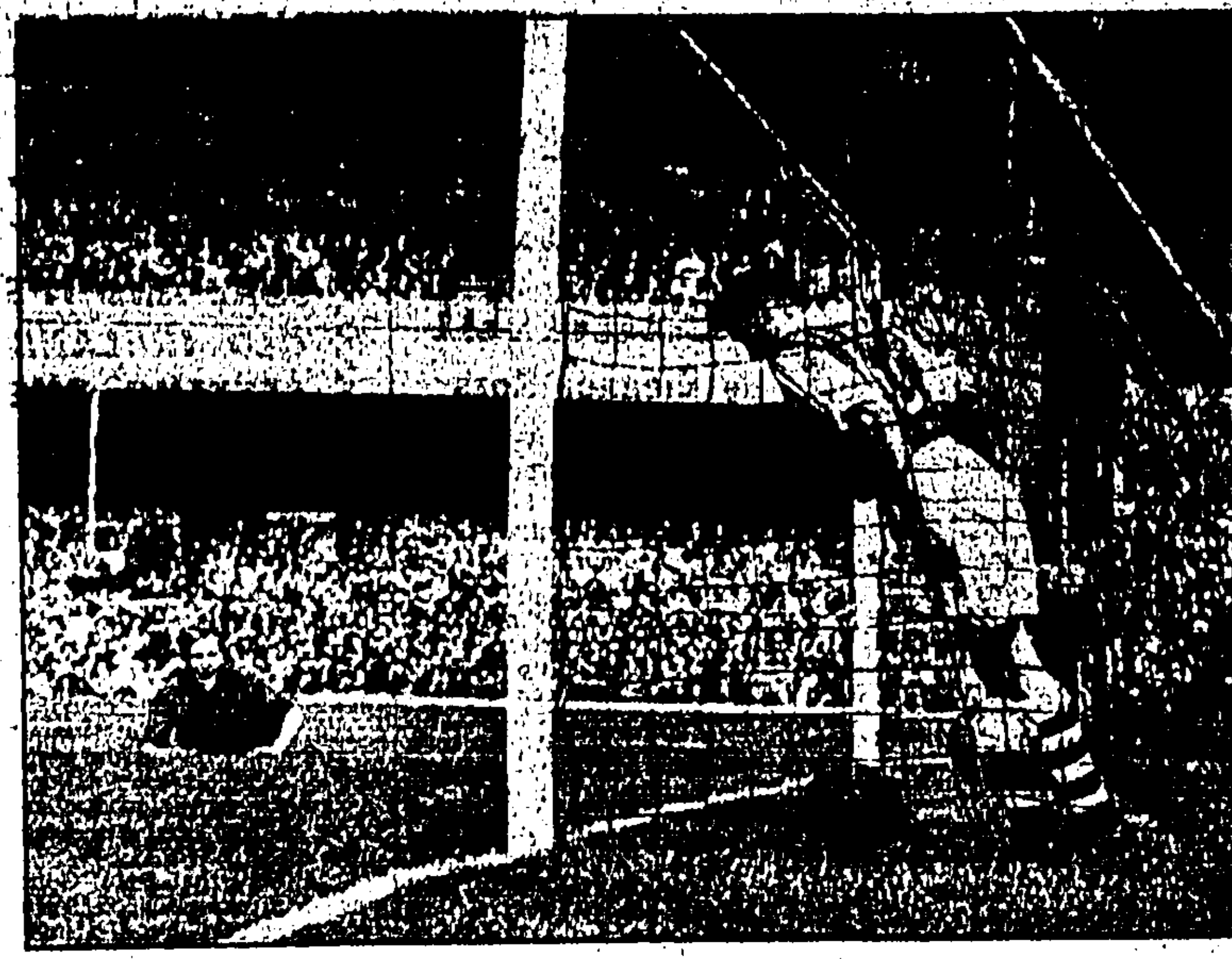
New York, Sept. 13.
Today's Major League baseball scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Cleveland	3	8	1
New York	0	11	0
Chicago	0	5	0
Boston	7	8	3
St. Louis	5	10	0
Philadelphia	2	5	0
St. Louis (2nd)	0	5	0
Philadelphia	2	8	0
Detroit	10	15	0
Washington	4	12	1
Detroit (2nd)	6	10	0
Washington	4	8	1

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R	H	E
Brooklyn	2	6	0
Chicago	3	8	3
Philadelphia	3	5	1
St. Louis	17	19	0
Pittsburgh	5	11	0
Cincinnati	4	7	2
Pittsburgh (2nd)	6	12	0
Cincinnati	8	10	2
New York	1	6	1
Milwaukee	2	6	0
New York (2nd)	7	11	0
Milwaukee	4	7	1

DUANEY UNLUCKY
Duane, the promising young left-hander, was hit by a line drive from the bat of the Boston Red Sox, which was the only hit of the game, and he was out. The Red Sox won the game, 1-0.

ARSENAL V. WOLVES



Wolverhampton Wanderers beat Arsenal by three goals to two at Highbury on September 5. Photo shows Roper, Arsenal's outside-right, scoring the first goal of the match for Arsenal while Lishman, Arsenal's inside-left, who had missed with a header, waits in the net for Roper's grand finale.

Now It's Eight Matches Without A Win For League Champions Arsenal

Arsenal losing by seven goals to one to Sunderland is the latest chapter in the shocking start of the football season by the Champions. Now it becomes eight matches without a win for Arsenal with but two points to show for their efforts, and they trail by two points at the bottom of the First Division table.

It has been obvious that Arsenal are out of form, but nobody could have expected such a defeat. Not since West Ham United beat them 7-0 on March 7, 1927—27 seasons ago—have Arsenal suffered such a beating. The only setback anything like as bad in recent years was their 1-6 reverse to Manchester United two seasons ago.

It has now become almost inevitable that Arsenal must enter the transfer market. Neither Tom Whittaker, the manager, nor his assistant, Jack Crayston, was at Sunderland, and they were out watching for talent and a big signing can be expected in the very near future.

Curiously, Arsenal scored first through Doug Lishman, and though 2-1 down at half-time, they played reasonably well. Arsenal collapsed completely afterwards, Sunderland scoring five goals in the space of 21 minutes.

Nobody did, more to upset Arsenal than their former centre-half, Ray Daniel, who played brilliantly for Sunderland.

Len Shackleton too was at his best and he and Billy Elliott form a great left wing. Trevor Ford, Welsh International centre-forward, had his shooting boots on again and scored a hat-trick.

This was only Sunderland's second victory of the season for they too have been having a lull in the transfer market during the close season.

Sunderland's seven goals were not the highest of the day, for Charlton Athletic beat Middlesbrough 8-1 and gained their biggest win since they rose to the First Division. Their previous best was the 7-1 victory over Manchester United 15 seasons ago.

The South African inside trio of Sid Gillin, Stuart Leary and Eddie Firmani were in a sparkling mood and chipped six of the goals, Firmani doing the hat-trick.

One of the best wins of the day was the 4-1 victory by West Bromwich Albion at Burnley. West Bromwich are setting a great pace and lead the First Division table by two points from Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Burnley had won all four home matches this season and in the last two years had beaten Albion 5-0 and 6-1 in corresponding matches.

Portsmouth showed plenty of fight and made the score 3-2 at half-time and three minutes afterwards they were even. The Wolves' winner came four minutes from the end.

Fellow sufferers with Arsenal though not quite so badly placed are another former mighty team, Manchester United. They too have failed to win this season but a goalless draw at Bolton showed more promise.

Bolton had their England centre-forward, Nat Lofthouse, back to lead the attack for the first time this season but he could not find his touch and was well held.

Arsenal and Manchester United are among seven clubs still seeking their first victory. The others are Fulham, Oldham Athletic, Bury, Walsall and Huddersfield. Plymouth Argyle today broke the ice by winning at Swansea.

Three of the unbeaten clubs lost their records, Doncaster Rovers, Ipswich Town and Port Vale going down for the first time. This leaves West Bromwich, Everton, Brighton, Norwich and Crewe as the only undefeated teams.

Though beaten, Doncaster retain the Second Division leadership but only on a goal average. Their consolation is that they have 15 points from eight matches.

John Charles, the Leeds Welsh International forward, was among the goals again, his two goals at Fulham giving him a personal record of 14 for the season in eight games.

Brighton, as the result of the first defeat of Ipswich took a clear two points lead at the top of the Southern League. They have 15 points while Southampton, Ipswich and Norwich each have 13.

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LATE RESULTS

London, Sept. 12.
Result of late kick-off match:
Division 2: Rotherham United 2, Luton Town 1.—Reuter.

WIN FOR DENMARK

Oslo, Sept. 13.
Denmark beat Norway 1-0 in an international soccer match today.—Reuter.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

London, Sept. 13.
Football league standings after yesterday's matches are as follows:

FOOTBALLS:

DIVISION I

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
West Ham	8	0	0	8	19	54	0
Wolves	8	0	0	8	22	15	0
Huddersfield	8	0	0	8	15	9	0
Bolton	7	0	0	7	13	9	0
Burnley	8	0	0	8	14	10	0
Tottenham	8	0	0	8	14	10	0
Sheff. Wed.	8	0	0	8	13	11	0
Sheff. U.	7	0	0	7	10	9	0
Cardiff	8	0	0	8	10	9	0
Watford	8	0	0	8	10	9	0
Sheff. F.	8	0	0	8	10	9	0
Blackburn	8	0	0	8	10	9	0
Derby	8	0	0	8	10	9	0
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FANGIO BEATS ASCARI AFTER A TERRIFIC STRUGGLE FOR ITALIAN GRAND PRIX

Monza, Sept. 13.

Juan Manuel Fangio, the Argentine driver, after a terrific struggle with the World Champion, Alberto Ascari of Italy, won the Italian Grand Prix motor race here today.

Fangio, World Champion in 1951, had pushed his Italian Maserati car just ahead of Ascari's Ferrari on the final lap when the Italian was involved in a crash, with another Argentine driver, Onofre Marimon, of the Maserati works team, on the last bend before entering the stretch.

Fortunately no driver was hurt, but the accident left Fangio out in front to win in 2.6 seconds from Giuseppe Farina of Italy in another works Ferrari.

The cause of the mishap is thought to be due to faulty steering on Marimon's car. Earlier in the race he had

stopped at the pits to have it checked.

After the race Marimon told Reuters: "Fortunately the crash was a light one. I hit the rear of Ascari's car on the left hand side."

"I am very upset at what has happened. At the time six cars were bunched together, taking

the last corner before the finish. It could have turned out very much worse."

"MIX-UP"

Fangio was away from the "mix up," but Farina grazed Marimon's car before shooting through safely. But Luigi Villorosi in another Ferrari found the track completely blocked. By an incredible feat of coordination he pulled his car off the track, at well over 100 m.p.h., and then back onto it again to finish the race in third place.

The high-speed bunch of Maserati and Ferrari cars had kept the crowd on its toes throughout the race, which was a neck and neck affair between Fangio and Ascari from the start.

Fangio covered the 80 laps, a total distance of about 314 miles, in two hours 19 minutes 46.8 seconds, an average speed of 110.042 miles per hour. This time cut a minute off the record time for the distance set up by Ascari last year.

FIRST EVER

In spite of his elimination in today's race, Ascari, son of a famous Italian race who was killed when Alberto was only seven, became the first man ever to win the World Driver's Championship for the second successive year.

He had already built up an unbeatable total of points in the previous Grand Prix races all over Europe.

Today's official result:

1. Juan Manuel Fangio (Argentina) (Maserati) two hours 49 minutes 45.9 seconds—average speed of 110.042 m.p.h.
2. Giuseppe Farina (Italy) (Ferrari) two hours 49 minutes 47.3 seconds.
3. Luigi Villorosi (Italy) (Ferrari) two hours 49 minutes 49.3 seconds for 79 of the 80 laps.
4. Mike Hawthorn (Britain) (Ferrari) two hours 50 minutes 1.6 seconds for 79 laps.
5. Maurice Trintignant (France) (Gordini) two hours 51 minutes 11 seconds for 79 laps.

Fastest lap—Fangio, with a time of two minutes 4.5 seconds, a speed of 113.18 m.p.h.—Reuters.

Australian Tennis Players Beat Japanese

Tokyo, Sept. 12. Australian Davis Cup tennis players opened their matches here today.

The Australian Ambassador, Mr. Ronald Walker, opened the game with a welcoming speech to Mervyn Rose and Clive Wilderspin, who arrived on Thursday at the invitation of the Japanese Tennis Association.

The two Australian players defeated Japanese players in two singles and one doubles. The scores were:

Clive Wilderspin beat Atsushi Miyagi 4-6, 7-5, 6-2, 6-3.

Mervyn Rose beat Kosei Kanno 6-2, 6-2, 2-6, 7-5.

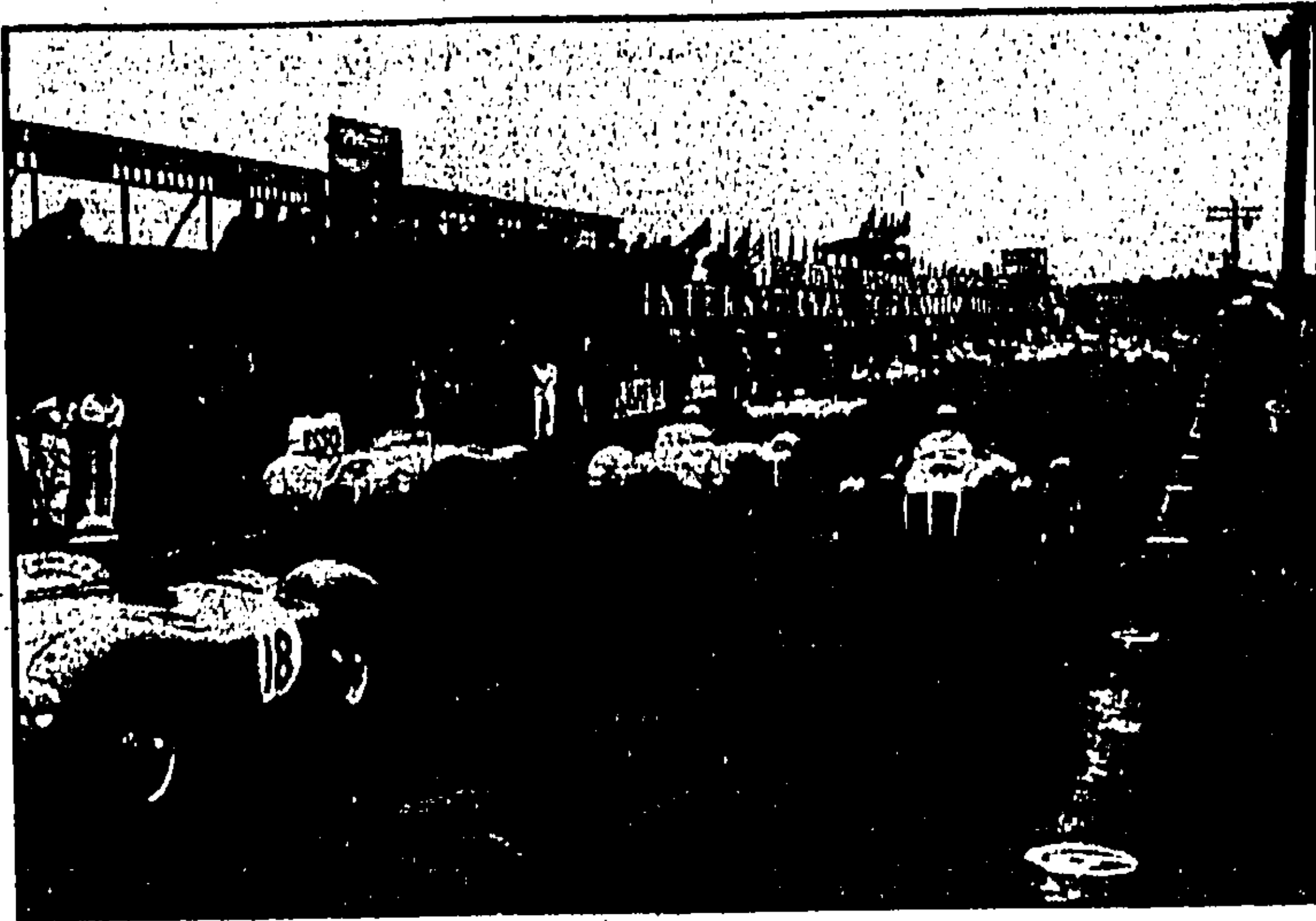
Wilderspin and Rose beat Masanobu Kimura and Goro Fujikura in the double by 6-0, 6-1.

After their first day's games, Rose and Wilderspin described the Japanese champions, Miyagi and Kanno, as "very tough but need more practice of strong serving."

The noted Japanese sports critic, Masami Saito, said: "Rose's and Wilderspin's play is more balanced and streamlined than American players."

To beat them is beyond the capabilities of Japanese players." —Reuters.

TOURIST TROPHY RACE AT DUNROD



Aston Martins scored over Jaguars when they won the RAC Tourist Trophy Race at Dunrood on September 5. They were first, second, fifth and sixth, with a Frazer Nash third. The only Jaguar to finish, driven by Stirling Moss, took fourth place after mechanical trouble. Photo shows the start of the race.

HAROLD MAYES Talking Sport

This Heavyweight Hope Is An Empire Product

He's six feet tall, he's 20, he weighs 14 stone, and he's still growing. No, he's not the answer to the prayer of every manager of a Football League team currently languishing around the foot of a table, but he's a boxer.

What's more, he's an all-Empire product. Ken Brady is the name, and if you've never heard it before, I learn from down under that you're likely to be hearing plenty of it in the future.

Ken had less than a dozen fights before collecting the Australian heavyweight crown, when Dave Sands met his tragic death. Yet it's only two years since he first walked into Ambrose Palmer's Melbourne gym and said he wanted to be a fighter.

Only once has he been beaten — when he met Reg Mack for the Australian title. That points decision was reversed with a rip-snorting kayo in the eighth round when they met in a return. The finishing right hand broke Mack's jaw and put him into hospital.

How glad I am to hear that Palmer, the former Australian champion, says that he would be hurrying this youngster after who seems to be a better prospect than a uranium mine. He plans to add experience to the speed and skill the boy already has, and then, twelve months hence, will head for Britain before prospecting in the States.

Want a line on his form from someone who's seen Brady as well as our home crop of heavies? Frank Johnson, Manchester's former Empire lightweight title-holder, is quoted as saying: "He'd beat any heavyweight in England." So wait for it!

PICK 'EM BY COLOURS

D. you pick your Treble Chance matches by taking the birthday dates of every member of the family and hoping for the best? I know people who do, and some who use other music-hall methods for pools betting, but here is a new system which says "ten all."

In "New Approach to Winning the Pools" (Fireside Press, 1s.) Edward W. Whitman tells how to make entries "based on the law of averages and other scientific laws."

"After exhaustive study, involving a blending of the planetary aspects in the maps of the years, based on the day of the name and of the planetary and zodiacal colours of the team, on the days concerned, it is now possible to put forward this new approach to the problem of successful selection," the book says.

ALL FOR CUP FINAL?

As I interpret that, football success is now based, even if only slightly, on the colours teams wear. Too bad that there are good days listed for certain teams on days when they are playing away from home and

when they will have to forsake their normal colours because of a clash. I wonder what the planets will be doing about that?

Too bad, too, that in the cases of many teams May 1 is slated as a good day. For a few examples, it's fine and dandy then for Chelsea, Huddersfield, Manchester City, Preston, Sheffield Wednesday, Spurs, West

Bromwich Albion, Wolves, Birmingham, Blackburn and Bristol Rovers, who are all named as being okay for that day. Does that mean they'll all be playing in the FA Cup Final, since no other match is due then?

I notice, too, that May 8 is a good day for a lot of 'em. Well, I haven't heard of the reason being extended at that end yet, have you?

"We do not guarantee infallibility," says the book, "I think it's just as well."

Some of the West Indies-bound England cricketers are a little sore that they won't be getting as much for their winter travels as the members of the Commonwealth party going to India. With the MCC proposition of £2,500 fee topped by the figure the Commonwealth players will receive, it makes the £185 which amateurs touring with MCC will get look like chicken-feed.

Come to think of it, isn't Trevor Bailey worth as much as anyone else, regardless of status, on his performances in the Ashes series? Sure he is, and the sooner all Tourists are brought into line the better.

After all, the Aussies all get the same, because they're all amateurs. Ha, ha!

WHAT'S STRANGER? What's stranger than Len Hutton being barracked by a

Yorkshire crowd in one of these end-of-season hilarities, such as Hastings festival without any Sussex players?

No wonder some people don't "get" this cricket business...

In the Hastings instance, I gather it was because of county committee objections on a who-owns-whom basis.

That's going to be put to the test shortly in Rugby League circles, too, for I'm told that one club has already indicated that it will not allow any of its players to go on the trip to Australia in 1954 unless arrangements are made for the party to fly out.

Present plans for a beat trip can mean any club being short of its stars for vital end-of-season games like the Challenge Cup final and the top four. It's happened before, and the club in question have no intention of letting it happen again for the sake of some people having a nice rest cure.

That's only one of the problems the Rugby League has to face in the near future.

French St. Leger

Paris, Sept. 13. M. George Wildenstein's Bolson Dor, ridden by Fred Palmer, won the £4,000 French St. Leger (Prix Royal Oak) run over one-mile seven furlongs at Longchamps today.

Bolson Dor won by a length from Baron Guy de Rothschild's Conquelin (Paul Blanc) with the Aga Khan's Shikampur (Roger Poincelot), two and a half lengths away, third.

There were seven runners.—Reuters.

FINAL FIRST CLASS CRICKET AVERAGES

The final batting and bowling averages for the English first class cricket season are:

BATTING					
W.A. Johnston (Australia)	17	16	102	28 n.o.	102.00
J.N. Harvey (Sussex)	25	16	258	15 n.o.	71.00
J.N. Harvey (Auss)	25	4	2040	302 n.o.	65.80
L. Hutton (York)	44	6	2426	241	63.02
R.N. Miller (Auss)	36	6	1710	140	67.00
L. Livingston (Northants)	31	3	1433	262 n.o.	61.17
P.D.H. May (Sussex)	59	9	2534	190	50.03
R. Bubb (Sussex)	46	10	1857	140 n.o.	49.25
B. Barlow (North)	36	7	1600	100	47.26
W.J. Edrich (Middle)	60	6	2697	211	45.24
A.V. Duck (Sussex)	60	6	2605	157	45.24
R.T. Simpson (Notts)	67	7	2270	180 n.o.	45.40
P.S. Sheppard (Sussex)	67	7	2270	180 n.o.	45.40

BOWLING					
R.N. Harvey (Australia)	25	16	25	23	13.04
C.J. Knott (Hampshire)	223	40	321	23	13.71
L. Jackson (Derby)	74.4	230	1578	100	15.90
G.A.T. Lock (Sussex)	28	10	1900	100	15.90
T.W. Greaves (Gloucesters)	94.3	10	324	20	16.20
J.B. Statham (Lancashire)	72.1	22	1300	101	16.33
L. Lindwall (Australia)	62.8	178	1394	85	16.40
H.G. Carter (Warwick)	60	20	100	12	16.66
R. Doobed (Notts)	126.3	240	2702	102	16.67
A.V. Duck (Sussex)	60	6	2605	157	16.67
R. Archer (Australia)	395.1	104	205	87	16.70

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INDIANS WIN THE THIRD DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP

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Despite a strong effort by one of their rinks—J. Kelleher, A. M. L. Soares, P. K. Lau and R. Tay—who gave them a 12-shot lead, Craigengower failed to stop Indian Recreation Club yesterday from gaining a 4-1 decision and together with it the Third Division Lawn Bowls League Championship title.

Craigengower led all the way on the aggregate with Tay's rink enjoying a good lead over that of A. O. Madar, and J. H. Xavier's rink conceding a slightly smaller margin of lead to M. Y. Adal's rink.

The rinks skipped by S. Leonard and M. Y. Adal had a neck-to-neck, struggle all the way.

At the conclusion of the match between Tay's and Madar's rinks, Craigengower were still two shots up on the aggregate.

Xavier scored a single to increase the lead to three shots, but conceded a four on the second last head. On the final head Leonard's rink lost three and Xavier conceded another six count of five.

The Indians completed the double by also winning the First Division match against the Valley Club by a similar 1-1 margin.

Results of yesterday's League matches were:

FIRST DIVISION			
INC (4)	CCC (1)	CCC (1)	CCC (1)
J. Hooton	G. Madar	G. Madar	G. Madar
S. Yusuf	D. Roselet	D. Roselet	D. Roselet
A.R. Kitchell	F. Lee	F. Lee	F. Lee
A.B. Rahman	J.S. Leonard	J.S. Leonard	J.S. Leonard
A.M. Rahman	G. Hong Choy	G. Hong Choy	G. Hong Choy
K.A. Rahman	A.J. Kew	A.J. Kew	A.J. Kew
A.M. Omar	J. Kelleher	J. Kelleher	J. Kelleher
A.H. Seemlin	S.Y. Do	S.Y. Do	S.Y. Do
A.K. Minu	T.W. Leonard	T.W. Leonard	T.W. Leonard
K.M. Omar	A.E. Coates	A.E. Coates	A.E. Coates
	D.W. Bradbury	D.W. Bradbury	D.W. Bradbury
Total	78	57	57

THIRD DIVISION			
INC (4)	CCC (1)	CCC (1)	CCC (1)
A.M. Rahman	R.K. Pavri	R.K. Pavri	R.K. Pavri
B.M. Gomez	Y.A. Razack	Y.A. Razack	Y.A. Razack
A. Tazack	J. Kelleher	J. Kelleher	J. Kelleher
I. Kitchell	A.M.L. Soares	A.M.L. Soares	A.M.L. Soares
S.H. Khan	P. B. Lau	P. B. Lau	P. B. Lau
E.R. Markar	R. Tay	R. Tay	R. Tay
A.O. Madar	P. Mansson	P. Mansson	P. Mansson
A.R. Abbas	T. Leonard	T. Leonard	T. Leonard
F. Nazarin	R.O. Baker	R.O. Baker	R.O. Baker
S. Bucker	M.Y. Adal	M.Y. Adal	M.Y. Adal
M.Y. Adal	J.H. Xavier	J.H. Xavier	J.H. Xavier
Total	64	63	63

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First Division			
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IRC	14 13 0 1	55½	
CCC	14 10 0 4	46½	
KBGC	15 9 0 6	45½	
KCC	13 7 0 6	38½	
KCC	13 5 0 8	29	
HKFC	13 3 0 10	19½	
PRC	13 4 0 9	19½	
Takko	14 3 0 11	19	

Second Division			
Rec. "A"	P.W.D.L.	Pts.	
Rec. "B"	14 12 0 5	42½	
FC	14 8 0 6	31	
IRC	13 6 0 7	31	
KCC	13 5 0 8	26½	
KBGC	13 4 0 9	24½	
HKCC	14 5 0 9	19	

Third Division			
Rec. "A"	P.W.D.L.	Pts.	
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CCC	16 12 0 4	57	
FC	15 8 0 7	43	
KCC	16 8 0 8	40½	

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Entries For The Colony Swimming Championships

The following is a full list of entries for the Colony Swimming & Diving Championships—1953:

MEN'S EVENTS

100 yds free style: Lau Kam-por, Pung Ping-ting, Lam Kwan-nar (Chinese YMCA); Wong Fung-shun, Leung Wing-ching, Chan Wing-kee, Yip Kau (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Wong Long-hoi (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA); Ng Wing-chung (Chinese YMCA).

220 yds free style: Lau Kam-por, Pung Ping-ting, Lam Kwan-nar (Chinese YMCA); Wong Fung-shun, Leung Wing-ching, Chan Wing-kee, Yip Kau (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Wong Long-hoi (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA).

400 yds free style: Lau Kam-por, Pung Ping-ting, Lam Kwan-nar (Chinese YMCA); Wong Fung-shun, Leung Wing-ching, Chan Wing-kee, Yip Kau (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Wong Long-hoi (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA).

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1600 yds back stroke: Wal Kee-haw, Choi Lee-ching, Cheung Ming-hank (Chinese YMCA); Chan Wah-sing, Leung Wing-ching (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Victor Lim (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA).

3200 yds back stroke: Wal Kee-haw, Choi Lee-ching, Cheung Ming-hank (Chinese YMCA); Chan Wah-sing, Leung Wing-ching (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Victor Lim (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA).

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51200 yds back stroke: Wal Kee-haw, Choi Lee-ching, Cheung Ming-hank (Chinese YMCA); Chan Wah-sing, Leung Wing-ching (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Victor Lim (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA).

102400 yds back stroke: Wal Kee-haw, Choi Lee-ching, Cheung Ming-hank (Chinese YMCA); Chan Wah-sing, Leung Wing-ching (Chung Sing); Cheung Kin-man, Victor Lim (Fortuna); Lau Kam-sing, Wong Kwai-chee, Wong Kam-wah, Lau Yue-wai (Hoi Tin); A. F. Remedios, F. X. Monteiro (VRC); Wan Shu-ming, Lai Cheuk-wah, In Yau-wah, Wong Yuk-sun (SCAA).

100 yds free style: Kwok Ngan-hung, Fung Ying-chee (Chinese YMCA); Kan Yin-ling (Chung Sing); Suzanne Hewson, Vanessa Giles (European YMCA); Tai Shu-ling, Chan Ching-mul (Fortuna); Hung Po-lan (Chinese Civil Servants); Cynthia Eager (VRC); Fong Yau-mui, Tong Oi-ying (SCAA).

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New York Textiles Report

New York, Sept. 13. Shipments of rayon, acetate yarns and staple by domestic producers in August totaled 104,100,000 pounds, a nine per cent drop from August a year ago, it was reported today.

Shipments for the first eight months of 1953 came to 829,500,000 pounds, a gain of 10 per cent over the 751,000,000 pounds in the like 1952 period.

August output was 107,000,000 pounds or 3,800,000 lbs. more than shipments as inventories of producers rose to 85,700,000 pounds, the highest figure for any month since May 1952, said the bulletin of Textile Economics Bureau Incorporated.

"Production of rayon regular tenacity yarns has remained steady for the last five months and stocks of this yarn amounted to 20,700,000 pounds, a small increase over July."

On the other hand, it added, stock of acetate yarn dropped because shipments were higher than the 10,700,000 pounds produced.—United Press.

SHIPS SURVEY

The Swedish Commerce Collegium is to carry out a survey of the economic position of the country's small and medium tonnage ships. The investigation will cover 110 steamers and 100 schooners, most of which are old and worn out and in need of repair or replacement.

The results of the survey are expected to lead to measures to help Swedish tramp shipping to meet the growing competition from German and Dutch ships.—Reuters.

WORLD OUTPUT OF RUBBER

Washington, Sept. 13. World production of natural rubber amounted to 152,500 tons in July bringing the total of seven months to 977,500 tons, according to estimates of the Secretariat of the International Rubber Study Group, the US Department of Commerce announced today.

Output in the first seven months of 1952 was 1,020,000 tons, according to this report.

Other points it made were: World natural rubber consumption was estimated at 107,500 tons in July 1953, 907,500 tons in January-July of this year, and 940,000 tons in January-July a year ago.

Estimated imports into Russia and China included in these figures totaled 1,000 tons in July, 74,500 tons in January-July of this year and 86,500 tons in January-July a year ago.

In the first seven months of 1953, world consumption of natural and synthetic rubber was 1,450,000 tons compared with 1,352,500 tons in January-July 1952.

US consumption soared to 334,404 tons from 177,820 tons, and foreign consumption outside of Russia and China increased more modestly to 351,100 tons from 348,200 tons.—United Press.

Exchange Quota

Taipei, Sept. 13. The Provincial Screening Committee of the Economic Stabilization Board has set September's import foreign exchange quota at US\$295,810.

The Committee said that \$103,810 was for better trade with Japan, while the rest was for free exchange.—France-Press.

City Puzzled By Share Prices' Trend REFUSAL TO FOLLOW WALL STREET LEAD

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Sept. 13. Well-informed circles in The City are puzzled by the divergence of trend between the London and New York stock exchanges.

This became more marked last week when the Dow Jones index of industrials, which measures share prices in New York, touched its lowest point for the year while the Financial Times share index closed only a fraction below the year's "high."

The fall on the American market quite clearly owes its origin to fears of a decline from the present high level of business activity some time later this year or early next year.

But the London movement cannot be so easily explained. The Financial Times points out that one reason for the strength of the London equity market is undoubtedly the rise of gilt-edged securities. This, it says, owes something to the coming Government operations but is based on the continuing increase in the gold reserves.

An even greater factor in the strength of ordinary shares appears to be the recent upward trend of dividends. Many companies that have pursued cautious dividend policies are now stepping up their distributions.

LABOUR FRONT

Whether the trend of the London market continues or not will depend partly on the performance of the exporting industries.

But investors will also be watching developments on the labour front and in particular the outcome of the engineering union's claim for a 15 per cent wage increase.

Features of the Stock Exchange last week were the continued strength of Funds and the spread of interest to first-class equities.

War Loan 2½ per cent rose 8/10 to 83-1/16, the highest level it has reached so far this year.

RISE IN "IMPS"

Among the "blue chips" Imperial Chemicals put on 2½ to 47/10 on rumours of a coming scrap issue and Associated Electrical Industries improved on a proposal to double the ordinary capital by a one-for-one free issue to shareholders.

In the "take-over" market, rumour still links the names of Montagu Burton, the leading concern, and Great Universal Stores.

Burton's denied that talks were going on for disposing of the family's controlling interest, but this did not discourage speculators. The company's shares closed at 23½ a rise of 2/6 in the week, while "Gussies" did even better—they jumped 6/10 to 43/10.

Interest in the foreign bond market was chiefly in German issues. Dr Adenauer's victory at the polls brought in investors, and German 4½ per cent closed 25½ better at 82½.

SPECIALISED AFFAIR

London, Sept. 13. Interest in the stock markets has been specialised rather than general but most sections remained firm throughout the week with sentiment helped by the German election.

With Wall Street in a depressed condition there has been no encouragement from the Atlantic but prices in leading industries have gone ahead just the same.

The Financial Times index closed the week at 124½ which is just below the peak of 150½ in March and 0½ higher than last week's close.

Gilt-edged eased through time, small falling early in the week but more support became apparent later in the week when there were indications of a stock shortage in some cases.

Controls 4½ finished at £02, a gain of ½ over the week before, 2½ War Loan gained 8/10 to £64½, and Treasury 2½ gained 5/10 to £60¾.

JAPANESE ISSUES

The feature of the foreign bond markets was the strength of German issues following the success of Dr Adenauer in the elections.

The German Dawes Loan 5½ finished 5/10 higher at £61¾, Potash 7½ 5 points higher at £110, and Potash 0½ 3/4 higher at £108½.

Japanese bonds were active but prices showed only small fractional changes over the week in an irregular finish.

Industrial shares were firm and the whole list finished the week higher. Imperial Chemicals gained despite reports that

the Treasury had refused to allow the company to make an issue of fully-paid shares out of capital reserves arising from revaluation of fixed assets.

Lancashire Cotton gained 1/3d to 48s. 0d. Ford Motors finished 7½ pence higher at 32s. 1½d.

Interest in all shares remained at a low level and Anglo-Italian lost 1s. 3d. over the week to 155 shillings despite reports that the new Iranian Government was ready to start oil talks.

Operators said the markets, by and large, have behaved very well throughout the week. The fall of Wall Street and the usual week-end influences before the accounts next Tuesday had a rubbing effect but the tone at the close was said to continue firm which would quickly harden in a more active market.—United Press.

"SWITCH" TRADE PLANNED

Tokyo, Sept. 13. Japan plans to put her excess of imports from France through "switch" trade, sources close to the International Trade and Industry Ministry indicated today.

The trade balance in open account between Japan and France at the end of July was \$10,800,000 in favour of France, the sources said. Since the swing limit fixed in the Japan-France trade accord is \$8,000,000, Japan at present owes France \$2,800,000 in cash.

In line with its new policy, the Japanese Government recently authorised the local Fuji Trading Company to sell \$3,000,000 worth of Canadian soybean cakes to France in switch trade. Some \$5,000,000 worth of other exports to France will shortly be authorised in a similar procedure, the same sources expected.

Meanwhile, the leading local shipbuilder, the Ishikawajima Harima Industry Company, is negotiating a contract for the construction of two 4,200 dead-weight-ton freighters for the Brazilian navy, according to a trade report today. Each ship will be equipped with a 2,400-horsepower turbine engine and will be capable of 17 knots. Each ship will cost ¥900,000,000.

Under the arrangement now being negotiated, the Brazilian navy will pay 40 per cent of the total cost first, spreading the remaining payments over four years in instalments.—France-Press.

Wool Sales This Week

London, Sept. 13. The first major test of this season's wool prices will occur with the opening of the spot wool sales in London on Monday and with the opening of the Australian market in full-scale operation.

In the rates, nearly 200,000 bales of wool and woolsops will be put up for sale and dealers indicate this heavy offering will indicate trend in prices.

Of the amount of wool 152,000 bales will be offered in Australia and 10,000 bales on the London spot market. In addition, the London market will offer nearly 2,000 bales of Punta Arenas and Falkland Islands wool.

In South Africa, nearly 10,000 bales will be offered at five sales.—United Press.

Barter Pact Extended

Manila, Sept. 13. President Quirino's order on Sunday authorised the extension of the barter trade agreements between the Philippines and Japan for four months.

The agreements were to expire this month. With President Quirino's authorisation, Acting Foreign Affairs Secretary Felino Neri will negotiate the sixth extension of the barter agreements in their present form from October 1 to January 31, next year.—France-Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$437,411. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES			
BANKS			
HK Bank	152½	10 1/2	1530
East Asia	150		
INDUSTRIES			
Harbin	250		
Union	200	32 1/2	202½
Underwriters	150		
HK Light	150		
SHIPPING			
Kei Yuen	140 1/4		
DOCKERS			
Dock	21 1/2	200 1/2	21 1/2
President	11 1/2	12 1/2	400 1/2
Wheelock	11 1/2	12 1/2	400 1/2
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	7 1/2	700 1/2	7 1/2
HK Land	20 1/2	100 1/2	20 1/2
Shai Land	10		
Humphreys	30		
TRADING			
Tram	24 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
Peak Tram	42		
WATER			
Water	21 1/2		
Star Ferry	12 1/2	200 1/2	12 1/2
Electric	27 1/2	200 1/2	27 1/2
C. Light (N)	8 1/2	744 1/2	8 1/2
Light (S)	27 1/2	200 1/2	27 1/2
Telephone	24 1/2	22 1/2	24 1/2
INDUSTRIALS			
Industrials	18 1/2	150 1/2	18 1/2
STONES, ETC.			
Daily	23 1/2	200 1/2	23 1/2
Victoria	22 1/2	200 1/2	22 1/2
COTTONS			
Textile	5 1/2	200 1/2	5 1/2
HIBELLANES			
Yamato	6 1/2	200 1/2	6 1/2
Yamato (N)	6 1/2	200 1/2	6 1/2

Industrial Boom In America Continues

On the United States domestic scene the industrial boom continues.

The Federal Reserve Board provisionally estimates industrial production in August at 238 per cent of the 1935-39 average against 232 in July. Record high employment and a post-war low in unemployment were recorded during the month.

With 63,408,000 persons reported by the Commerce Department to be holding jobs in August, the number of unemployed dropped to 1,240,000—a level considered close to a bare minimum. July employment was 63,120,000 and unemployment then was 1,548,000.

During August a pickup in commercial and industrial hiring offset a seasonal decline in farm employment. In August 1952 employment totalled 62,354,000 persons.

A rise in private industrial payrolls in July lifted personal income to an annual rate of 288,000 million dollars. This was 1,500 million dollars higher than the annual rate in June, the Commerce Department said. The July showing helped to raise the annual seven-month average to 287,000 million dollars for the January/July 1952 period.

But a warning note was struck by the National Association of Purchasing Agents, who said in their first report since the Korean truce that the August pickup of industrial business had not been as brisk as expected.

One-third of the agents said order backlogs were lower—the largest number to say this since June 1952. Twenty-two per cent of the agents surveyed said production schedules were turning downward and prices were said to be tending to level off and soften.

The agents generally believed an autumn and winter upswing in business might be slow in developing.—Reuters.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local market at the following rates: U.S. dollar (per \$1) 82½, British pound (per £1) 15½, Australian dollar (per £1) 10½, Canadian dollar (per £1) 10½, Hong Kong dollar (per £1) 10½, Indian rupee (per £1) 10½, Japanese yen (per £1) 10½, New Zealand dollar (per £1) 10½, Singapore dollar (per £1) 10½, South African rand (per £1) 10½, Swiss franc (per £1) 10½, West German mark (per £1) 10½, etc.—United Press.

JAPANESE APPLICATION FOR G.A.T.T. MEMBERSHIP COMING UP AT GENEVA

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Sept. 13. Three items dominate the agenda for the eighth session of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) which opens in Geneva this week.

In the order of public interest, though not necessarily of importance, these are:

The Japanese application for "provisional associate membership". Britain's request for permission to raise the import duties on certain foreign agricultural products while retaining the right to give duty-free entry to similar Commonwealth products; and the proposal—backed by the U.S.—to extend the life of existing tariff concessions for a further 12 months.

Japan's application for provisional associate membership of the 34-nation "tariff club" is bound to be the chief talking-point at Geneva.

This compromise proposal has obviously been framed to avoid embarrassment to the United States Government. The presidential commission set up in Washington to examine American foreign economic policy is not due to complete its task until next Spring.

Even assuming that its report is based on the doctrine of "trade not aid" it will therefore be at least a year before the United States Government can take part in a new round of multilateral tariff bargaining such as would be needed before Japan could become a full member of GATT.

In the meantime the contracting parties will be invited to extend most-favoured-nation treatment to Japan on a temporary basis.

ALMOST CERTAIN

In return Japan would undertake to "bind" her own tariff at the present level. Japan's application will be granted if two-thirds of the contracting parties give their assent. The real world pressure is likely to be to grant her most-favoured-nation treatment or not, as they see fit.

As America is supporting Japan's application a favourable vote is considered to be almost certain.

But that does not mean there will be no opposition at all to Japan's admission even on the basis of provisional associate membership.

Australia, for one, will fight the proposal.

BRITISH POSITION

The British position is rather more vague. Many politicians and industrialists fear cheap Japanese goods would flood the British market if Japan became a member of GATT. And this will naturally have a strong bearing on Britain's attitude at Geneva.

But, in fact, Britain already gives Japan most-favoured-nation treatment. The difficulty is that a strong section of the Conservative Party would oppose any attempt to make this a matter of right.

If the British Government objects to Japan's admission to GATT it is therefore likely to be on political rather than strict economic grounds.

A possible way out would be for it to abstain from voting on the Japanese application and then if it is granted, to withhold formal right to most-favoured-nation treatment.

PERTINENT QUESTION

This would placate those in Britain who are opposed to Japan's entry into GATT. But it would do nothing to solve the long-term problem of Japanese competition in Britain's export markets.

A question that will sooner or later have to be answered is whether it would not be better from the British point of view to have Japan in GATT than outside it.

If Japan were in the world to be bound to observe the rules of fair trade laid down in the agreement. But this is left outside it might not be long before the pressure of her rapidly growing population drove her once again to win overseas markets by fair means or foul.

The British request for permission to increase import duties on certain agricultural products from foreign countries without widening the margin of imperial preference.

GRAVE DISADVANTAGE

This places her at a serious disadvantage. For, while other countries are free to raise import duties at will provided they are not "bound" by existing concessions, Britain is unable to do so without infringing the "no new preferences" rule.

Effect of this is to "freeze" all British import duties at their present level, whether they are bound by concessions or not. The British Government has been anxious to stress that its

request for a conditional waiver of the "no new preference" rule is consistent with the basic provisions of GATT.

The imports affected would be those which are not restricted by any other protective duty. Any increase in import duties would, moreover, only to those products of which imports from the Commonwealth are negligible or nil, so there would be no question of widening the margin of preference enjoyed by Commonwealth producers except on a strictly legalistic interpretation of the present GATT rules.

WAITING ON U.S.

The third important matter which the GATT countries will have to consider at Geneva is the question of extending the life of the existing tariff concessions.

At present these are due to expire at the end of this year and members will then be free to modify or withdraw them.

Here again GATT finds itself in the position of being unable to make any major decision until American foreign economic policy is clarified.

The problem will probably be solved by accepting the American proposal to extend the life of the existing tariff concessions for a further 12 months.

By then the American Government may be empowered to negotiate a new tariff agreement; but in the meantime exporters will at least be assured of stability in tariffs.

Another Slash In Imports?

The French Minister of Finance, M. Fournier, is to submit further proposals to reduce French imports to one of the next Council of Ministers.

The proposals would involve increased import duties on a number of foreign luxury goods as well as a reduction in imports of domestic products of the products concerned were not given.

M. Fournier will, at the same time, suggest a number of measures to increase exports, with a view to reducing the French payments deficit. These will include the granting of certain credit facilities to exporters, further tax exemptions and changes in the present export aid.

The proposals form part of a programme to meet the economic and financial situation in France, main features of which are increased production, stabilization of domestic prices at present levels, and re-organization of market conditions for certain important farm products, such as wine, grain, oilseed and fruit and vegetables. It is understood that M. Fournier may seek the assistance of private industry to carry out the programme.

The Minister also intends to improve working conditions on the Paris Stock Exchange. According to usual well-informed financial quarters, he may also try to float a large loan in

RN DOCKYARD STORESMEN CHARGED WITH LARCENY

The trial of two storemen employed in the Royal Naval Dockyard charged with larceny by servant opened before Judge W. A. Blair-Kerr in the Victoria District Court this morning.

The accused, Mak Foon-kee, 28, and Mak Woo, 56, are alleged to have stolen 371 radio transmitting valves, the property of the RN Dockyard on a date between August 28, 1952, and May 9, 1953.

A nolle prosequi in respect of two other storemen and another man was entered by the Crown. The men were Chan Chi-man, 26, Ng Kit, 39, and Yuen Sau-ki, 25, proprietor of Siong Tai and Company of 9 Parkes Street.

Chan was originally charged with Mak Foon-kee and Mak Woo, while Ng and Yuen were accused of receiving stolen property.

Chan was represented by Mr. A. J. A. C. W. Wong, while Mr. Clifford, on the instructions of Mr. F. X. d'Almada. Yuen was not represented.

Appearing for Mak Foon-kee in Mr. K. F. Wong, while Mr. Clifford, on the instructions of Mr. F. X. d'Almada. Yuen was not represented.

The prosecution said that the charge arose out of a deficiency that appeared on May 9, 1953, of a number of radio valves in the Royal Naval Dockyard. The valves were stored in Store No. 11 where a ledger was kept.

The ledger showed the number of valves being accepted as stock and the number being issued by the Store.

Crown Counsel said that the deficiency amounted to 219 of one type of valves known as CV-20 and 152 of another type known as CV-1572.

CHECKS MADE

It was the case for the prosecution that the valves were stolen by the accused who were assistants in the No. 11 Store. The prosecution would be adduced from the Storehouseman of No. 11 Store where the valves were stored that he made a physical check of the number of valves in the Store with the number of valves stated in the ledger.

As to the CV-20 type of valve, the witness would say he made a physical check on August 28 last and as to CV-1572, the check was made on January 6 this year. In those cases the witness would say that he found the physical check tallied with the amount shown in the ledger. He also took a record of his stock-taking which would be adduced.

The witness would also produce vouchers of the valves received in the Store since those dates and also all demand checks referring to the valves issued, Mr. Walsh said.

Entries in the ledger of the amounts shown on the vouchers and the checks were entered as evidence, then the amount shown in the ledger should be correct on May 9, 1953. An employee who kept the ledger would be called to show that he checked the vouchers and entered the amounts in the ledger.

Crown Counsel said that a labourer in the No. 11 Store would be called to say that in January he was approached by the first accused and asked if he would assist in taking some valves from the Store. This he refused to do.

BIG DEFICIENCY

The loss came to light in May, 1953, when a store assistant was presented with a demand check asking for 24 CV-20 valves. He found that only nine such valves were in stock. Checks then took place and it was discovered according to the ledger that there was a deficiency of a total amount of 371 of these two types of valves.

Evidence was called that two labourers employed in that Store, on instruction of the two accused, carried boxes of these valves from the first floor to the ground floor of the Store. They were told to throw away the boxes containing the valves and also the wrappings, and to re-wrap the valves in newspapers. A stacked trolley containing wrappings, cardboard boxes were seen by another employee, said the prosecutor.

Mr. Walsh said that accused were arrested a month later to the events. They made candid statements which he said would be produced.

S. C. F. Middleton, Storehouseman of No. 11 Store, RN Dockyard said that all electrical stores including radio components were kept in that Store.

On May 21, 1953, he made a physical check of the two types of valves and found 152 CV-20 and 219 CV-1572 missing. He counted the number of these valves in the Store against the ledger which he produced. On May 9, 1953, there should have been 221 CV-20 and 207 CV-1572 in stock, according to the ledger.

Witness said that first accused was employed as storehouse assistant on the first floor and second accused as local storehouseman on the ground floor of No. 11 Store. The valves, he

added, were kept on the first floor.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wong, witness said that the doors to the Store were locked after office hours and the keys when not in use were held in the custody of the Dockyard Police. Only superior officers had access to the keys.

No employee was allowed to remain in the store after office hours or during the luncheon interval. Employees were searched at the gate.

Witness agreed that if any person carrying any of the valves would be detected during the search. Dockyard Police patrols were on duty around the stores during closed hours and also during the day.

Witness told Mr. Clifford that there were Dockyard Police officers on duty around the day and at each of the gates. Any person carrying a bulky object passing through the gate would be noticed, witness said.

The ground floor had nothing to do with him, witness said. Second accused was employed on the ground floor and had nothing to do with the handling of the valves at all. He also had nothing to do with the first floor of Store No. 11.

Witness further stated that the personnel of the first floor were not allowed on the ground floor and vice-versa.

He made a physical check of the valves where there was a deficiency on May 21. He became in charge of Store No. 11 at the end of June when his predecessor left for England, said witness. Before that time he and his predecessor made a check of at least 50 per cent of the contents then in stock.

Re-examined, witness said that the valves were received in packing cases, sealed down and banded with steel wires. Hearing is continuing.

Hungarian Land Reform

Vienna, Sept. 13. Budapest Radio today announced that Hungarian farmers must no longer give up land in the State.

Hungarian co-operators have said it was one of a long series of decrees by the Government designed to increase the food supplies and prevent the flight from the land to the industrial areas, especially from the collective farms.

In recent years, many individual farmers, finding it unprofitable to cultivate their land owing to the high quotas of crops which had to be delivered to the state at low prices, got out of their difficulties by simply presenting their land to the state or local authorities.

They then got themselves work as labourers or factory workers.

The Radio also said Party officials must do more to persuade farmers to cultivate the "reserve lands." (These were agricultural land presented in the past to the state authorities and mostly still left fallow.)—Reuter.

Rescuers Reach Trapped Men

Tokyo, Sept. 14. Police in Hokkaido, northmost island of Japan, tonight reported rescue workers had reached 14 coal miners trapped in a mine at Numata town.

Seven miners were dead and seven were seriously wounded. The miners were buried alive yesterday when a natural gas in a pit exploded.—Reuter.

Another Daughter For Tyrone Power

Hollywood, Sept. 13. Mrs. Tyrone Power, the former film star Linda Christian, gave birth to an eight-pound girl at the Cedars of Lebanon hospital here today.

Mother and daughter were reported in "fine condition." Mrs. Power and her film star husband already have a two-year-old daughter.—Reuter.

NOT A POWER OF ATTORNEY

Document Rejected By Judge

The former manager of an import and export firm which were named as plaintiffs in an action against a Chinese bank produced as evidence, a document purporting to be an authorisation from his employers in Taiwan to appear in Court and was told by Mr. Justice C. W. Reece, Pulane Judge, in the Supreme Court this morning that it appeared to be a document "to pull a fast one."

In striking out the action from the register, His Lordship pointed out that the document was not a proper Power of Attorney.

He added that the witness could tell the people concerned that they were to come back to Hongkong and carry on their case by themselves if they wanted to.

In their statement of claim, the plaintiffs claimed that between December 22, 1950, and March 8, 1951, they deposited 250 industrial gold ingots with the defendants, and that on June 28, 1951, the defendants refused to return the ingots when asked to do so.

The action was for the return of the gold ingots or the equivalent in cash.

The defendants in their statement of defence denied the plaintiffs had deposited the ingots with them as alleged.

SOLICITOR WITHDRAWS
When the case started this morning, Mr. R. W. S. Winter, who represented the defendants, instructed by Mr. A. S. C. Comer of Hastings and Company, told the Court he had been asked by Mr. Peter Ives of Wilkinson and Grist to ask permission to withdraw from the plaintiffs' side in the case, as he had received no further instructions.

After permission had been granted and Mr. Ives had withdrawn accordingly, Mr. P. Ives, who described himself as the general manager of the plaintiff firm, entered the witness box.

Replying to a question by the Court, Mr. Ives said the company had already closed down. Asked as to how the action could continue if this was the case, witness produced a document, saying that it was an authorisation from his employers to act on their behalf.

After looking at it, Mr. Lordship said: "If it is a Power of Attorney, it must bear the appropriate stamp on it. As it is, this document is utterly worthless."

Asked if any of the partners of the plaintiffs firm was in the Colony, Mr. Ives said he had left for Taiwan.

"You have no authority to appear before me in this action, and I cannot listen to you."

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Time Signal and Programme Summary: 6.02, Children's Hour, presented by Sally Ann Porter; 6.40, South American Music; 6.50, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 7.00, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 7.10, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 7.20, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 7.30, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 7.40, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 7.50, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 8.00, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 8.10, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 8.20, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 8.30, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 8.40, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 8.50, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 9.00, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 9.10, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 9.20, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 9.30, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 9.40, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 9.50, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 10.00, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 10.10, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 10.20, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 10.30, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 10.40, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 10.50, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 11.00, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 11.10, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 11.20, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 11.30, "Box 200," Bert Gilbert; 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